US 'buzzed' airliner, Libya says

Two fighter jets from a United States aircraft carrier buzzed a Libyan sirliner in Greek air space on a regular flight from Athens to Tripoli on Sunday, Radio Tripoli reported. It described the alleged incident as international piracy and terrorism, and sold Libya had complained to the United Nations Security Council.

Nato to impose fresh sanctions

Nato countries are to announce fresh set of sanctions against Poland and the Soviet Union. Greece has dissociated isself from the measures. As the sanctions differ from country to country—despite strong American pressure for a unified package—they will be announced separately
Polish news, page

Thatcher rejects budget boost

Mrs Thatcher told industrial-Economic Development Council that next month's Budget would not contain any major reflationary measures. She reflationary measures. She stressed there would only be a "gentle take-off" in the econ-



Bremner wins libel case

Billy Bremner, the former Leeds and Scotland footballer, in London after he had been warded £100,000 libel damages in the High Court over allega-tions in the Sunday People that he offered bribes to try to influence

Brezhnev takes US to task

President Brezhnev yesterday accused the United States of "dragging its feet" at the nuclear missile talks in Geneva He called for agreement on a two-thirds reduction in medium-range weapons by

MPs back EEC

The Commons rejected by 212 votes to 110 a move to introduce a Bill providing for the United Kingdom to leave the EEC by repealing the European Communities Act, 1972
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Dozier escape

The US Air Force transport aircraft carrying General James Dozier home from Italy Yesterday to a hero's welcome after his release from Captivity, narrowly avoided crashing on landing at Andrews Air Force base. Maryland

Sinai volunteers

The Ministry of Defence said the British contingent to the Sinai peace-keeping force would consist of 35 Army volunteers, commanded by lieurenant-colonel, to serve as headquarters staff Mubarak in US, page 6

Maxwell threat

Robert Maxwell, the chairman of Oxford United, is to Issue a writ against his former manager, Ian Greaves, and against Wolverhampton Wanderers, who yesterday appointed Mr Greaves as their new manager

Bristol survive

Eight players accepted an imfrom Bristol City and ensured the club's is mediate survival. Their two-year contracts were forfeited and they expect to share 563,000 Page 20

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Government action ruled out

Rail inquiry is delayed for plea to Aslef

The inquiry into the rail dispute failed to start yesterday pute failed to start yesterday as final attempts were made to persuade the footplatemen's union to attend. It was not clear last night whether the inquiry will go ahead without the union's cooperation.

Leaders of the Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen meet this morning to consider an appeal

morning to consider an appeal to join the inquiry while in another part of London the British Railways Board meets to decide its response to Aslef's decision to escalate the strikes

next week.
Aslef pickets at Aylesbury
yesterday turned away a driver,
who is a member of the rival
National Union of Railwaymen and who had turned up to take a train into London. British Rall had been hoping to run, a skeleton service in defiance of the Aslef strike, But British Rail has operated

a small number of freight services using some of the NUR's 1,500 drivers. About 20 to 30 trains have been running in trains have been running in trains parts of the country when Aslef strikes have been held. Yesterday the number was said by British Rail to be down to three.

Aslef members stepped up pickets on depots to stop the freight trains running. In the past NUR members have

past NUR members have worked in Scotland, Blyth docks, Northumberland, Not-tinghamshire and other areas

The NUR instruction to its members is not to cross Aslef picket lines, but it has said nothing about taking trains out if there is no picket line.

Lord McCarthy, the inquiry chairman, had two hours of private talks with leaders of the other two rail unions and BR executives at the offices

of the Advisory Conciliation and Arbitration Service. He was also holding discus-sions with Mr Pat Lowry, chairman of Acas and Mr Len Murray the TUC general sec-retary and one of the three is today expected to renew the call to the Aslef executive: to

Yesterday's manoeuvring took place as the 20,000 train drivers staged their tenth 74-hour stoppage and there will also be no trains today. Un-less there is a breakthrough in behind-the-scenes_ talks, Aslef members will strike next Sunday. Tuesday and Thursday. Yesterday's preliminary session of the committee of inquiry was due to be open to the public but Lord McCarthy decided that he wanted to



Season refunds Season ticket holders will

be able to claim extensions or refunds for the days of the strike, BR said yesterday. Weekly ticket holders could claim refunds only.

speak to British Rail, the Narional Union of Railwaymen and the Transport Salaried Staffs' Association in private. Mr Murray went straight to the Acas offices from the morning meeting of the National Economic Development Council, which was chaired by Mrs Thatcher and also attended by Sir Peter Parker, the

ed by Sir Peter Parker, the British Rail chairman.

Mr Murray is believed to have been absent from the NEDEC meeting for some time while he spoke on the telephone to Mr Raymond Buckton, Aslef general secretary. Mr Murray has made it clear that he thinks the union is wrong to refuse to attend the inquiry although he is also thought to be critical of the Acas decision to ask Aslef to suspend the strikes while the

inquiry sits.
The Aslet decision to strike on Tuesday and Thursday will cause chaos to the railway system on Wednesday and the British Railways Board will to-day consider whether to suspend the footplatemen on that day because it will not be able to run a . reasonable

☐ Senior ministers stated yesterday that Government intervention in the dispute was nowhere near being seriously considered (Julian Haviland

writes).
Ministers feel themselves to be under no pressure from their own party, whose members are hostile to Aslef: or from the Opposition, which has deliberately avoided a

mr Michael Foot, after cou-sulting Mr Murray and the other rail union leaders has asked Lahour MPs to "main-

tain parliamentary silence over the dispute.

There is some Labour em barrassment that the party's Mr Leslie Huckfield. MP for Nuneaton, to pass without debate a resolution saving that the British Rail Board was at fault and that the footplate men should be paid the 3 per

If British Rail is forced to ask the Government to relax its short-term borrowing limits, seen as financing the strikes, but rather as supporting the British Roil Board's resistance to the strikes. Differences among ministers

are likelier to emerge when the dispute is settled. Sir Peter Parker said the dispute now had "blood pouring" from the railways. But he praised travellers for their magnificent "response to the strikes. "I am damned grateful for the way customers have taken the strain", he said. "It is a very painful situation with the blood pouring."

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Pickets turn back NUR driver

BR hopes of special service dashed

From Paul Routledge, Labour Editor, Aylesbury

picket duty yesterday, dashed British Rail's hopes of starting even a limited passenger ser-vice during the industrial action by the main footplate-

men's union.

Mr Alf Bryant, a branch secretary of the Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen, and one of the action of the second section of the section of the second section of the section of the sectio his colleagues turned back a National Union of Railwaymen member who cycled to Ayles-bury station to take out the

13.40 to Marylebone.

In a scarcely-audible inter-lude lasting less than a minute. Mr John Wheeler, the first of four NUR drivers rostered to work Marylebone diagrams, was challenged by Aslet pickets in the road outside the station and turned his bicycle round for home, with photographers in hot pursuit.

Two other NUR drivers due to work yesterday were said by station staff to have been suddenly struck down by illness. Their non-appearance is more convincingly attributed to frantic contacts between the two unions after BR's strike-breaking plan was disclosed in

the newspapers. It was not a very happy scene outside the Buckinghamshire railway terminus. Mr Wheeler, a spare, nearly-moustachioed men in his fifties with more than 30 years service at the local depot, applied his bicycle brakes when he saw the footplate pickets. When reminded as if he needed to be of the official dispute with British

Two striking train drivers on Reil and the NUR's instruction Real and the NUR's instruction to members not to cross Aslef picket lines, he simply said:

"Those are my instructions" and turned back.

Aylesbury boasts only 26 drivers; five belong to the NUR and the rest to Aslef.

Mr Bryant admitted a certain personal distress at asking a

personal distress at asking a man from his own depot not to take out the four-car diesel multiple unit waiting on plat-

"Nobody likes asking some-one else not to work," but he doesn't want to cross the picket line. He's gone, hasn't he? "he said. British Rail had hoped to

run trains into London at approximately two-hourly intervals after lunch, permitting four rush-hour evening commuter services into Buck-inghamshire and a "late" train just after 9 pm. Several dozen hopeful com-

muters turned up at the station from 7 am, only to be told that there was no prospect of services until the afternoon and
no certainty of any trains.
Some strong feelings were
ventilated, with one trate,
would be traveller insisting
"they should work or starve."
As Fleet Street journalists,
and the

television crews and the frankly curious gathered in the station yard a British Rail spokesman regretted that news of the proposed trains had leaked out. "The more pub-licity the service is given, the less likely it is to run", he lamented. "We were hoping Continued on back page, col 3



Haig sounds Salvador alarm

From Nicholas Ashford, Washington, Feb 3

The congressional battle-lines over American policy towards El Salvador have become clearer this week with the testimony on Capitol Hill of Mr Alexander Raig, the Secretary of State, and Mr Thomas Enders, the assistant Secretary of State

On one side are the Liberals, who are alarmed by the Administration's plans, announced on Monday, to send \$55m in emergency military aid to the Government of President José Napoleón Duarte. They fear that the United States may be in danger of sliding into another Vietnam.

Confidence

vote sought

by Schmidt

From Patricia Clough and

Peter Norman, Bonn, Feb 3

Herr Helmut Schmidt, the

West German Chancellor, today staked his political future on

the Bundestag acceptance of his hard-won programme to create jobs and stimulate the

economy. In a dramatic move

to rally support both in the

country and within his flagging coalition, Herr Schmidt called for a vote of considence from the Bundestag in his plans. The vote is expected on Friday.

It was only the second time a Chancellor has taken such a step in West German history. The first was ten years ago when the former Chancellor,

Herr Willy Brandt, faced with

a hung parliament, put the confidence vote to clear the way for fresh elections.

But Herr Schmidt stated

clearly at a Press conference

that he was not thinking of

fresh elections. The purpose he said was "to make it clear

that the government is based on the clear confidence" of the Social Democrat and Free

His aim was to strengthen confidence in his government

and "not to open any doors" to elections. "Herr (Helmitt) Kohl (the Christian Democrat opposition leader) will have to

project his hopes further into the future", he said. Herr Schmidt's move came

less than a week after he threatened to resign in order

threatened to resign in order to force the two parties to end weeks of wrangling over the measures, many of which are unpulatable to one or the other. It seems as though Herr Schmidt, who is personally in fine form after his pacemaker operation, feels intensely that dissent within his own SPD and between the two parties are draining his power to govern and that drastic measures are needed.

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On the other side are the right-wingers, led by Senator Jesse Helms (Republican, North Carolina) and other neoconservatives, who believe that the Administration's reaction to the spread of Cuban influence in El Salvador, Nicaragua and elsewhere in Central and elsewhere in Central America has been all bark and

At yesterday's hearing of the Senate Foreign Relations Com-mittee, Senator Helms tried unsuccessfully to get Mr Haig to comment on the reported presence of Soviet TU95 (Bear) long-range bombers in Cuba, in addition to Havana's

A Pentagon spokesman confirmed today that TU-95s regularly carried out reconnaissance missions off the American coast while on their way from the Soviet Union to Cuba, but there was no evidence of their being based on the island. A State Department spokesman later said that these were

jet interceptors.

not heavy bombers equipped for nuclear weapons, Turmoil in El Salvador, page 6

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recent receipt of a second squadron of MiG 23 (Flogger)

SDP faces first big test over union Bill

By Anthony Bevins, Political Correspondent

decide their Commons line on necessarily the Government's Employment relations."

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Bill.

The party's 27 MPs are
divided over their attitude to
the industrial relations legislation which has its second
reading in the House on
Monday.

Some favour the Bill as the
first step towards more curbs

first step towards more curbs on the unions; others want on the minns; others want nothing to do with the Tory legislation, yet others would prefer to duck a decision by going for an abstention.

The dilemma facing the leadership is that a vote for the Bill might be taken as an endorsement of the hard line attitudes of Mrs Thatcher and Mr Norman Tebbit, her Employment Secretary, while a vote against the Bill in alliance with the official Labour Opposition, could be seen as a reversion to the party's left-of-centre

As for the third alternative, and Salaried Staif tion, is thought to the Tebbit Bill.

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SDP's attitude to a major issue of policy, when put to the parliamentary test tonight, will provoke the most tormented political debate yet faced by the party's MPs.

The Liberals are unlikely to help. Their MPs met at Westminster last night, but no decision was expected before tonight's two-bour special session organized for the SDP MPs.

The Liberals' view was best expressed in the Commons when Mr Tebbit announced his outline proposals last Novem-

Social Democrat MPs will Truro, told Mr Tebbit on face their first critical policy November 23: "Union-bashing test tonight when they meer to may be popular, but it will not

Nevertheless, the hard political pressure is bound to be on the Social Democrats, if only because they have faced the consistent charge from both Conservatives and Labour that they have no policies. Mr William Rodgers told the

party conference in Bradford party conference in Bradford last October that there was scope for further industrial relations legislation, and that there was a case "for protecting the rights of individuals on grounds of conscience and conviction from the loss of a job through the absence of trade union membership."

Mr Thomas Bradley, who is down to speak for the SDP in Mondey's debate, has criticized the failure of the Bill to ensure the election by secret ballot of all sensor trade union officials.

Mr Bradley, a former president of the Railway Transport and Salarièd Staff's Associa-tion, is thought to be opposed

The only other public indi-cation of a view on the Bill was given by Dr David Owen, the party's parliamentary leader, at Leicester on January 14. He said: " Social Democrats should be very wary of going down the legislative route to industrial reform merely to placate public feeling or even party members' feeling. The latest proposals from Mr Tebbit appear to come some way between Mr Prior's caution and Mrs Thatcher's dogmatism. Like the curate's egg, the proposals are good in parts".

Dr Owen expressed general ber. The party sees little to oppose in the legislation, but proposals and scepticism about as Mr David Penhaligon, the change in union immunities

warns his enemies By Philip Webster Political Reporter

Tebbit

Mr Norman Tebbit, Secretary of State for Employment, yesterday warned trade unionists who have said that they are prepared to break his new employment legislation that they would be committing an offence against the people.

He was being questioned

He was being questioned before the Commons Employment Committee about the comments made to it two weeks ago by Mr William Keys, chairman of the TUC's employment policy committee, that he would work actively against such a law and was against such a law and was prepared to take the possible

Mr Len Murray, TUC general secretary, had also told the committee that trade unionists were likely to be prepared to break the law if Mr Tebbit's Employment Bill reached the statute book. Mr Tebbit said although his Bill was being referred to in trade union circles as "Tebbir's law" if enacted, it was Parliament's law and the

people's law. "If anybody seeks to flout or disobey that law an offence is being committed not against me but against the people and against Parliament," he said.

"I hope that when they have soberly weighed these matters that those who feel strongly about this legislation will still take the view that the

people's law and Parliament's law should be obeyed."

If they disagreed strongly they should campaign properly and lawfully for it to be changed. Mr Tebbit also said:

"I believe that that is what will be the people in the said." will happen except perhaps for a few of the wildest spirits phose interest is not so much in opposing this Bill as oppos-ing the rule of Parliament."

Mr Tebbir said that view
was encouraged by opinion
polls showing strong support

among trade unionists and nontrade vionists for his measures. mood among ordinary men and women to indulge in political strikes designed to undermine

Parliament."

After a 90-minute examina-tion Mr Tebbit left Conserva-tive members of the committee with the clear impression that he regards the Employment Bill as the last industrial relations measure of the present Parliament.

When Mr Jonathan Airken, Conservative MP for Thanet, East, put to him the view held in some quarters that he has not gone far enough, and whether he would amend his Bill if he felt he had been too moderate and gentle, Mr Teb-bit said; "I think I have hit exactly the right note. I do not have it in mind to have second thoughts." second thoughts."

Mr Aitken asked what the
Bill did for the rights of those
members of the National
Union of Railwaymen who saw

their livelihoods threatened by the "bloody-mindedness and trany militancy of Aslef."
Mr Tebbit said he preferred not to comment on the British Rail dispute

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The case of the wronged physician

From Peter Watson, New York, Feb 3

Addicts of Sherlock Holmes are in for a big disappointment. A rehabilitation of the reputation of Sir Arthur Couan Doyle is under way. In their adulation of the world's greatest detective, who is regarded as little short of real, it has become the acceptel practice of Holmes fans to belittle the rôle of his creator. belittle the role of his creator. Conan Dovle is often referred to as nothing more than Dr Watson's "literary agent," a man who took up a literary career not out of any burning desire to write but because he was a complete failure as a

But now two Americans, a physician and an historian, have traced all of Conan Doyle's 12 non-fictional medical writings, including his hand-written MD thesis which has never been published, and bave compared his scientific conclusions with modern research.

They conclude that Conan Doyle, who was knighted for his services as a doctor during the Boer Wer, far from being the Boer War, far from being a fariture as a physician; accurately predicted a number of important medical developments, to such an extent that he should, they say, be considered on a par with Sir William Osler, the most famous doctor of Conan Doyle's era, who was later Regius Professor of Medicine at Oxford.

The defence of Conan Doyle

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The defence of Conan Doyle which is being led by Dr Alvin Rodin, of Wright State Univer-Rodin, of Wright State University, at Dayton, Ohio, is not entirely light-hearted. He has the support of Dame Jean Conan Doyle, the author's only surviving daughter who lives in Kent. She, too, is concerned that the record about her father should be put straight. Dr Rodin records that in 1884, in a letter to the Lancet, Conan Doyle described various unexpected side-effects of gout,

including eye disease and psoriasis (red, scaly patches on the skin). The link between eye disease and gout was confirmed soon after this paper, but the association with paoria-sis was not established until much more recently. He was also the first to record that cases of gout, with or without these side-effects, had occurred in three genera-tions of the same family. Once

more, it was not until much later that the heritability of gout was conclusively proved. In 1890, at an international conference in Germany, Robert announcing that he had discovered a cure for tuberculosis. This was followed by a large correspondence in the press. allegedly detailing examples of this wonder cure. Conan Doyle went to Berlin to see for himself but wrote a letter to The Daily Telegraph advocating caution in regard to the new wonder treatment. He had found, he said, that the substance (the formula for which Koch never revealed) destroyed Continued on back page, col 5

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'£70,000' for 8 years imprisonment amount of the award but it

By David Nicholson-Lord The man who spent eight years in prison wrongly convicted of murder on discredited scientific evidence has been offered compensation by the Government, it was disclosed yesterday. The amount is believed to be at least £70,000. Mr: John Preece, aged

49, a lorry driver of Stokeon-Trent, was freed by the High Court in Edinburghlast year from a life sen-tence imposed in 1973. Vital evidence at his trial was given by Dr Alan Clift, the Home Office scientist who has since been forced to George Younger, Secretary

not emphasize at the trial. Office would not comment dence and there was a that both Mr Preece and further until a reply is conviction, the significance the murdered woman, Mrs received Mr Preece was not Helen Will; shared the available for comment last same rare blood group. An ex gratia payment has The



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The High Court was told Mr Preece through his Dr Clift. In contested cases
last June that Dr Clift did solicitors. The Scottish where Dr Clift gave evi-

is thought to be more than £70,000, one of the highest in Scottish legal history.

Despite an examination by the Home Office of 1,500 other cases in which Dr Clift was involved, none had come to light in which there were "grounds for thinking that a miscarriage of justice occurred", Mr William Whitelaw, the Home Secretary, said last night.
In a letter to Mr Jack

Ashley, Labour MP for Stoke-on-Trent South, Mr Whitelaw said laboratory records going back to 1967 had been scrutinized, involving 1,500 reports from of the evidence was being carefully considered but Scottish Office nothing had yet come to



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Government agency backs TUC claim of 4m jobless

vesterday supported the trade union movement's claim that the true level of unemployment is about four

The Manpower Services Commission indicates in its draft corporate plan for the four years to 1986, that there are at least 750,000 people out of work in addition to the registered total of 3,071,000. Those include people who do not register as unemployed or are involved in special employment schemes.

Commission officials also believe that many people have left the labour force because there are too few vacancies and are no longer seeking

When all those factors are taken together it becomes clear that the commission's esti-mates of current unemploy-ment approach four million, which the TUC has claimed for

The commission's corporate plan, which has been sent for approval to Mr Norman Tebbit, Secretary of State for Employment, does not expect any big fall in the level of registered unemployment before 1986. The TUC's annual economic review, published earlier this week, predicted that the total

week, predicted that the total number of jobless would reach five million by 1984. The MSC believes that reducing unem-ployment will be made more difficult as between 200,000

jobs and 400,000 more people look hensive training and job pre-ported for work in the next four years. paration scheme. Spending on

The commission aims to provide more and varied skills training for unemployed people, so the country can cope training with the demand for new skills when there is an upturn in the

The commission estimates that in real terms its annual spending will increase from the present £1,185m to £1,931m during 1984-85. It cannot provide estimates for the final year of the corporate plan because the Government's inflation factor is not yet known, but it is certain to take commission spending over £2,000m.

Sir Richard O'Brien, the commission's chairman, said yester-day: "We are doing everything we can to get people out of unemployment and into permanent jobs, temporary work training opportunities and special programmes for young people. We aim to do more in

the next four years.
"The commission cannot solve the economic problems that have brought us to these unemployment levels, but we can help economic recovery through our training pro-gramme and by using our employment services to fill employers vacancies as quickly

He said the Government had given its support for the first step toward replacing the Youth Opportunities Programme with a more compre-

about £1,500m in 1984/5.

The commission is also concerned about long-term unemployment and the programme to help people who have been out of work for more than 12 months is to be expanded to 30,000 places. Sir Richard said the number of long-term unemployed, now standing at 750,000, will rise to one million

later this year and stay at that level for several years. He said the biggest challenge facing the commission this year was to repeat last year's

Youth Opportunities Programme place to all 16-year-old school leavers by Christmas. The commission expects to offer YOP training and work experience to 630,000 youngsters between this Easter and

It is hoped that under the new programmes, no youngster will join the unemployment register at least until the age There will also be facilities

to help older people already in work to up-date or change their skills.
The commission

attention to the problems of ethnic minorities, particularly in inner city areas, and it aims to give some priority to special programmes within the overall initiative

GLC talks on new race chiefs

By Lucy Hodges proposal for four new relations advisers and e more administrative officers at a cost of £126,000 a year is to be considered by the Greater London Council next

A paper which will go before A paper which will go before the ethnic minorities commit-tee for approval on Monday recommends that three ad-visers are needed to work in the GLC's new ethnic minorities unit.

One would be concerned with promotion and oppor-

with promoting equal oppor-tunities policies in employ-ment and training within the council; the second would be responsible for the economic and employment prospects of blacks in London generally; and the third would work in the field of arts and recreation. All would be paid between £14,196 and £15,792.

The fourth official would be semior race relations adviser a semior race relations adviser to work as deputy to Mr Herman Ouseley, the Guyanaborn principal adviser.
Guidelines, which will also be presented for approval next week, will ensure that every department in the council is

aware of the racial dimension of its work.
"Officers would have to

particular pokicy, proposal or project, and committees would be in a position to consider these implications," the paper

That kind of proposal has been endorsed by the Commis-sion for Racial Equality, Lord Scarman and the Policy Studies Institute,

☐ Mr William Whitelaw, Home Secretary, is reported to have told a group of senior trade unionists yesterday that time was not on the side of the Government in its efforts to deal with race relations.

The TUC delegation pressed Mr Whitelaw to say what be thought might happen this summer in the inner cities. The Home Secretary refused to be drawn. But he did say: "Time is not on our side." the meeting Mr

Kenneth Gill, general secretary of the white-collar section of the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers, said it had been a disappointing though affable session. "We expressed our surprise and dismay that the sense of urgency that seemed widespread last summer had dribbled away, he said.

The Home Secretary was reported to be unenthusiastic about making racial discrimination a disciplinary offence for police officers, normally pun-ishable by dismissal, as recommended by Lord Scarman in his report on the Brixton riots. Neither did he appear enthusiastic about in-dependent investigation of dependent investigation of complaints against the police.

Sinn Fein to fight Irish elections

From Richard Ford, Dublin

political wing of the IRA, is to field capdidates in the Irish general election for the first time in more than 20 years. It is also considering contesting any election for an asembly in Northern Ireland that might be proposed as part of Mr James Prior's initiative.

One of their candidates standing for election to the Dail, the republic's parliament, is Mr Seamus McElwain, aged 22, who is on remand in Crum-lin Road jail, Belfast, facing charges of murdering full-time members of the Ulster Defence Regiment, IRA membership and possession of guns.

Another, Mr John McGirl, is the uncle of Francis McGirl, the labourer aquitted of the murder of Lord Mountbatten of Burma.

However, if any Provisional Sinn Fein candidate is elected he will not take his seat in the Dail but will follow the example of Mr Owen Carron, the MP for Fermanagh, South Tyrone, at Westminster, by doing only constituency work. Mr Rory O'Brady, president of Provisional Sinn Fein, said

the organization was going into consider and report on the likely or actual impact (either favourable or negative) of a striker, won a seat at Fermanagh, south Tyrone, and later the success of his election agent, Mr Carron. In last year's Irish General Election another hunger striker, Mr Keiran Docherty, won a seat as did Mr Paddy Agnew, a

The Provisional Sinn Fein

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By Christopher Warman

Arts Correspondent

The Royal College of Music,

which celebrates its centenary

this year, is to launch an

appeal later this month for

£3m to equip the college with

new buildings and provide

funds for scholarships and

The first stage of the build-

ing development programme, estimated to cost £2.75m, in-

cludes a new opera theatre,

library complex, students' com-

mon room and other facilities.

accommodation.

on February 28.

Maze prisoner.

Provisional Sinn Fein, the establishment of a democratic socialist republic. Mr David O'Connell, vice-president of the political wing and director of the election, dismissed the issue of the Budget, which has dominated the campaign since the fall of the coalition, as

> The constituencies chosen by the Provisional Sinn Fein are: Sligo, Leitrim, where Mr John McGirl, aged 60, was elected an MP in the Irish general election in 1957 while he was interned; Cavan Monghan, the seat won by Mr Kieran Docherty, where Mr McElwain will stand; co Louth, now held by Mr Paddy Agnew, who is not standing again, will be contested by Mr Francis Browne, aged 36, a local coun-cillor; Wexford, to be con-tested by Mr Sean Doyle, aged 45, a nurse and local councillor; and Dublin Central, where Mr Christy Burke, aged 33, will

☐ The Official Unionist Party in Northern Ireland will decide tonight on its candidate for the Belfast South, by-election which is to be held after the murder in November by the Provisional IRA of Mr Robert Bradford MP (Tim Jones Bradford MP. (Tim Jones writes from Balfast.)

Unofficial talks between the Official Unionists and the Rev Ian Paisley's Democratic Unionist Party aimed at uniting the "loyalist" vote have apparently broken down and the by-election will give West-minster and Whitehall a crucial insight into the political mood of the province.

Army bomb disposal experts last night defused a 600lb booby trap bomb at Camlough, South Armagh, allowing 100 families who had been evacumanifesto says its primary sim families who had been evacu is British withdrawal and the ated to return to their homes.

STEELMEN'S **OVERTIME BAN LIFTED**

By Our Labour Editor Steel union leaders yester-day called off a national over-time ban due to begin on Monday after reaching a compromise wage deal for 42,000 production workers.

The Iron and Steel Trades Confederation signed an agree-ment with the British Steel Corporation for 1982 that rules out a general increase across the board in favour of locally-determined productivity bonuses linked to output. But BSC management and

The college, in Prince Con-sort Road, Kensington, west London, was founded by the Prince of Wales, later King Edward VII. The present Prince of Wales is president of the centenary appeal commit-tes. The appeal begins with a service in Westminster Abbey on February 28. all the industry's unions will meet in August with a view to consolidating a proportion of the extra cash
Yesterday's deal brings the ISTC into line with other

unions that had already accepted the controversial shift away from national bargaining to local incentive schemes in state steel.

LAWYER MP **MUST PAY**

From Arthur Osman

Mr Delwyn Williams, Con-servative MP for Montgomery and a solicitor, was ordered in the High Court at Birming-ham yesterday to pay £1.873 damages to a former client

the successful plaintiff who is physically handicapped, had been funded by politically

Ashton-on-Clun, Shropshire, said ... Absolute rubbish-I borrowed the money from my mother".

In his judgment, Mr Piers
Ashworth, QC, sitting as
deputy high court judge, said

beneficial ".

top-level time was devoted to producing papers for the GLC that London Transport could not manage its business pro-

where we stand", Sir Peter partly to more walking, and partly to people not making partly to more walking, and partly to people not making par

The "Fares Fair" policy and the actions of the GLC and the there would be without the required subsidy. Traffic lost from public transport as a result of the higher fares would

cost £31m and London Trans. South-East based on the £1 port had "very reluctantly" grant for every £1 earned decided to double fares on through fares.

Opposition pledge on revising pensions

By Anthony Bevins Political Correspondent

A Labour commitment to increase pensions twice a year in times of high inflation is expected to be delivered in the House of Commons this afternoon. The House will be debating

an Opposition motion " on the need to improve the lot of the elderly", and Labour leaders have agreed that they will need to spell out their own. proposals.
It is understood that the

twice-yearly uprating of pen-sions would apply when infla-tion was running in double figures, but ministers and MPs on all sides of the Commons will keep a careful watch on the qualifications and costings built into the proposal. The Opposition will stress, however, that whatever they out for-ward, it is bound to contrast well with the Government's own record. The Department of Health

and Social Security announced last week that it hopes to save £500m in the coming financial year from its 1980 Social security Act provision, " keeping pensions and long term benedits in line with prices rather than with the higher of prices or earnings."

Other measures expected as part of the Opposition package include a proposal for a national concessionary fares scheme for pensioners, a revalued death grant, without means test, of about £200, and a Christmas bonus doubled to 520 with inbuilt inflationproofing.

Mr Brynmor John, Labour's frontbench spokesman will also attempt to contrast the sensitivity of the Opposition to the problems faced by the elderly with the attitude taken by the Prime Minister. ☐ The state social security

budget has become a Franken-stein monster absorbing more than 22 per cent of earnings and costing £50 per week in contributions from higher paid employees, compared with 14 per cent in 1975, Mr Dryden Gilling Smith, a pensions consultant, said yesterday (Lourna

Bourke writes).

Mr Gilling Smith called for the winding up of the state earnings-releted peosion scheme, which be called a "swindle".

Speaking at a Financial Times pensions conference, Mr Gilling Smith said that the original Beveridge Report in 1942 recommended a combined 1942 recommended a combined employer/employee National Insurance contribution of 7s 6d per week "Even with inflation since then and multiplying this figure by 20, the present maximum contribution should only be around £7.50 a week and not £50," be said.

A plea that pensioners should be protected from having their fuel supplies disconnected throughout the year rather than only in the winter months will be made today by Age Concern (our Social Services). Age Concern (our Social Ser vices Correspondent writes).

BL PEACE TALKS -BREAK DOWN

Talks in London on the two-week strike by 13,500 workers at BL truck plants in Chorley and Leyland, Lancashire, and Bathgate, Scotland ended in deadlock last night.

The management has said that unless the strike, over plans to cut 4,000 jobs was ended the future of the truck-making operation could be at risk.
Details of the talks will be

put to mass meetings today. The two sides do not intend meeting until February 15.

Science report Avoiding rejection of tissue transplants

By the Staff of "Nature" Improvements in the suc-

cess rate of tissue trans plantation may eventually follow a new observation of the mechanism by which grafted tissue or organs ace so often rejected.

It was originally thought that graft rejection results essentially from direct results essentially from direct recugnition of the transplantatissue by T lymphocytes, the cells of the immune system which are instrumental in many immune respon However, experiments with a rather chequered history have more recently sended to show that transplants most also carry a seed of their own destruction, since their chances of rejection are reduced merely by culturing them in the laboratory for a period before transplants

Dr Willys Silvers and his colleagues at the University of Pennsylvania have now, shed some light on why this should be so. They worked on the assumption that the value of culturing the intended transplants is that it leads to the death of macrophages. These short lived cells are present in any fresh tissue, since one of their roles is to patrol in tissue, scavenging dead ac-

From what is known about more precise functions of macrophages, it is suspected that they play an unwitting role in presenting the tissue with which they are train planted to the immune system of the recipient, in such a way that the tissue is recognized as foreign and rejected. Through novel skin grafting experiments between different strains of mice. De Sivers's work has confirmed these proposals and made

valved. To guard against destroctive immune responses to wards its own tissue, the body carries an elaborate set of molecules: acting as a marker of self identity, on the surface of nearly all of its cells. These molecules are centrally involved in the process of presentation of foreign material by macraphages to T lymphorytes Were this process to be involved in tissue rejection then when strain B miss rejected a transplant of fresh skin from strain A, it-would be partly because the transplant contained macrephages with strain A type marker molecules, allowing them to present the skin cells as foreign material withe T lymphocytes of the

recipient. Experiments suggest that rejection of the skin grafts is dependent on some sharing of self marker mole cules between those foundon the cells of the graft and those found on the macro phages. If they each carry different set of marker mole-cules, then activation of the T lymphocytes against the graft is somehow blocked. Therefore, if donor macrephages could be eliminated by culturing tissue before transplantation or blocked by some other means, with out damage to the tissue transplantation between genetically different individuals could become more successful than at present Source: Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, USA (Volume 79, page 171, January, 1982). © Nature-Times News Service, 1982.

Redundancy conditions set for universities

By Diana Geddes, Education Correspondent enter into when making (new)

The University Grants Committee (UGC) wrote to universities yesterday guarantee. ing to reimburse in full the cost of compensation to academic staff made redundant because of cuts in grants provided that the payments are no greater than those agreed by the Government and that redundancies are "consistent redundancies are "consis with academic planning". What is meant by the phrase consistent with academic planning has been left un-

lear, probably deliberately. However, it is understood that the UGC might refuse to pay for staff made redundant in departments that are being closed or reduced against the UGC's wishes, as expressed in individual letters to universities last July.
Yesterday's letter states that

the committee will not reim-burse universities for redun-dancy or early retirement payments that are more generous than those approved by the Government under the national redundancy scheme for university academics. Many univer-sities are already operating

more generous schemes. Nor will the committee re-imburse universities if the posts vacated are subsequently refilled. No comparable redundancy scheme has been established

for non-academic university staff. But the UGC says it will reimburse universities in full for the costs arising from the requirement of non-academic staff under any agreed early retirement scheme in opera-tion before August 1, 1981. In the same letter, the grants

committee reminds universities that the Committee of Vice-Chancellors and Principals is looking into the question of academic tenure for university

teachers,
"It is clearly advisable for universities to be cautious for the time being about the contractual arrangements they

appointments of academic staff ", the letter says Proposals for a contract for all new scademic appointments, which would include a clause allowing dismissal for reasons of redundance will be put to a meeting of vice chancellors next week.

Dr Edward Parkes, chairman
of the UGC, said in evidence to Committee yesterday that fewer than baif of recruis to universities last year were given a firm expectation of tenure.

☐ Teachers are failing to keep a close check on publis work and behaviour in the last two years of compulsory schooling allowing standards in many schools steadily to deteriorate. says in a report on Welsh comprehensives.

It is reasonable to expect that pupils should adopt more adult attitudes to school at the beginning of the fourth year (the age of 14) the HM Inspectorate for Sch

year (the age of 14), the report says, but too often evidence of failure by young people to conform to these expectations is ignored.

The report calls for frequen regular monitoring of publi progress. The early recognition of disaffection is essential, it

says. Years IV and V in Comprehensive Schools. (Welsh Office, Ednerion Department, Cathays Park, Cardiff CF1 3NQ. Free.)

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they were launched, 175 come directly from business users and the new

Rovers - worth £1.5M have been chosen by Swan National to spearhead its hire fleet.

The order is early evidence that the new Rover range is on course to win leadership of the valuable executive car market for Rover's all-round economy and low running costs make it especially appealing to today's executive

S Fighting back

DAMAGES

for negligently handling a land and building transaction. Later Mr Williams said that Mr Colin Biffen, aged 48,

motivated opponents. Mr Biffen, of Mill Street,

Mr Williams had been de-scribed as cavalier in his treatment of the plaintiff's affairs. "I regret to say that is the impression I have also formed," he said. Mr Williams

London Transport 'needs state control' By Michael Baily, Transport Correspondent

Cloud with a silver siding

Breast v bottle

Pamphlets 'break health code'

such materials, its report, pub-

One dietician said: "I am

very pro-breast feeding. I

always encourage that in my talks. However, it is extremely

embarrassing when I know that the 'baby books' given out contain adverts for baby

milks. The snag is, these books with their adverts are free;

whereas we have to pay for

A health visitor commented that nearly all the material available at her clinic was pro-

vided by baby milk companies. She said: "I am afraid that if the promotional material is

removed, it will leave a gap that the Department of Health

and Social Security will not

Mr Andrew Chetley, War on

Mr Andrew Chetley, War on Want's health officer, said yesterday: "The report shows that voluntary agreements patently do not work. Unless stronger action is taken this kind of promotion will continue, which is unacceptable."

Mr Cherley said that a Department of Health survey in 1975.76 showed that although

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51 per cent of women made an attempt at breast feeding.

only 25 per cent continued after two weeks.

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other literature."

The future of this weatherworn, century-old signalbox at Instow, north Devon,

has been looking more assured since the

national railway strikes began (Craig Seton writes). The dispute may have

driven commuters to despair, but the enthusiasts behind the Instow Box Emergency Repair Fund are delighted that it has halted the only train on the track, a lone goods vehicle that passes through Instow twice a day.

The fund set up to save the signalbox,

a grade two listed building, found that it could not afford to have repairs

carried out while the goods train passed, because British Rail charged £52 a day

British beby food manu-acturers, who have been

facturers, who have been criticized for their marketing practices in the Third World, are now under attack for their

War on Want accuses them

of violating a voluntary inter-

national code approved by the World Health Assembly in

May, 1981, designed to

attacked for advertising direct to the public, and milk

manufacturers are criticized for advertising in health

clinics and hospitals, giving

free samples and not restrict-ing their promotional literature

for doctors to "scientific and

factual matters". All four activities violate the code.

War on Want has been campaigning since 1974 to increase the number of mothers breast feeding after

the dangers of bottle feeding in the Third World, where

water is frequently polluted, were highlighted by its report

Now it has carried out a survey of health workers and mothers in 72 British towns to

see whether the code is being

followed. It received 150 replies and 1,675 documented

incidents of practices in direct

contravention of the interna-

tional code were reported.
Although the code says that

there should be no posters,

calendars or clinic cards adver-

tising baby miles in health care facilities. Britain's hospi-tals and clinics were full of

The Baby Killer.

rather than bottle feed.

Bottle manufacturers

activities at home.

for a "flagman" to wave it through.

Now, three days a week, no goods train runs through Instow and workmen

from a Barnstable contractor can repair

the box without incurring the British

Rail penalty.

Mr David Norman, secretary of the

fund, said yesterday that the rail strike

was an unexpected help in the attempt

to save the box built between 1872 and 1874 by London & South West Railways. "British Rail have been trying to get

rid of it for a long time, either by pulling it down or moving it, but we are

trying to make sure it does not disappear. Aslef has been helping us along."

He said the leaflets for

could not comment in detail because War on Want had not

The mother with adequate

breasts, nipples and milk will find that breast feeding a

healthy baby is not only more

convenient but a pleasure to both of them (Thomas Stutta-

ford, Our Medical Correspon-

Even in the cleanest house-hold a bottle is more likely than the breast to harbour germs. It has long been known

that babies fed on breast milk

have a lower incidence of diarrhoes and vomiting due

to infection. Human milk also

provides protective factors

against infection, giving in-creased immunity to many

There is well documented

evidence that a better bond is

established between them and this close early relationship will stand the child in good stead in its later life.

Breast or Bottle? Factors in-fluencing the choice of infant feeding in the UK, War on Want, 467 Caledonian Road,

London N7 9BE, £1.

dent writes).

yet distributed its report.

lished today, says. marketing director of Cow and Most of the promotion was Gate, said yesterday: "We are

in leaflets, pamphlets and making every attempt we can advertisements in baby care to abide by the aims and prin-booklets. In all, 1,174 items in ciples of the WHO code 98 different places totally con-wherever we operate."

Cow and Gate, for example, mothers leaving hospital were menaved feeding your baby necessary. "When a mother

prepared "feeding your baby necessary. "When a mother set home" leaflets, which were leaves hospital, if she is going

distributed to mothers as they to prepare a feed at home, she left hospital.

taken away from the Greater London Council and put back under the control of central government, Sir Peter Mase-field, the London Transport chairman, said last night. The instability under which

London Transport had operated during the past 10 years had been "traumatic", Sir Peter been "traumatic", Sir Peter told the all-party Commons transport committee. The experiences of the past 18 months showed that a radical reexamination was overdue.

The system of executive committees at the GLC was un-equal to the problems of transport, and a transfer of owner-ship to the Department of Transport would be "wholly

Sir Peter said he was criticizing the system, not indivi-

London Transport should be duals at the GLC. So much March 21. That would bring in £156m and cause an 18 per cent loss of traffic. There would still be a deficit of £125m in 1982.

law lords had put London Transport in a position of breaking the law if it held fares and also if it raised them go partly to the private car, next month. "We do not know resulting in more congestion,

He hoped there would be no

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NEWS IN SUMMARY

Protest at dance floor rule

From Our Correspondent Sheffield

Mr Peter Wigley, Shef-field's chief publicity officer, yesterday protested against a ruling by the city's licensing magistrates that dancers in night clubs should have more room along the lines of the old-fashioned ballroom floors (Our Sheffield Correspondent writes). "We sell the city partly on its nightlife, and this ruling could have a far-reaching effect", he said.

The magistrates ruled that nightspots should provide a dance floor big enough to accommodate half the patrons at any one time, but few clubs have floors of such

size.
The ruling has led to Mecca Leisure closing Tiffanys nightspot in London Road, Sheffield, where a £500,000 improvement, in-cluding a smaller dance floor, was planned.

Ex-mayor faces theft charge

Mr Richard Somick, aged 16, of Victoria Road North, Portsmouth, a solicitor and former lord mayor of the city, appeared before Havant magistrates yesterday jointly charged with the theft of f1,600 from John Willmott (Guernsey) Ltd.

Mr Anthony Savage, aged 49, a property consultant, of Routes Merriennes, St Mar-tins, Guernsey, faced the same charge, and a number of others, including obtaining money by deception, jointly with Mr Michael Packer, aged 50, former company secretary, of Hill Head, Hampshire, and Mr Patrick O'Sullivan, aged 34, banker, of St Saviours, Guernsey. The case was adjourned until May 4.

New Forest oil

inquiry adjourns
The first part of the public inquiry into Shell's application to drill for oil at the Denny Inclosure in the New Forest ended yesterday after three and a half weeks of evidence. The inquiry is expected to reopen in April after modifications to the south-west Hampshire struc-ture plan have been made public.

Shell intends to drill for three months, probably in 1983 and 1984, and to restore the site. The enquiry will reopen on May 4 (not April as previously stated.)

Walkout over youth's red hair

Twenty-five garage workers walked out yesterday after Mr Barry Thurman, an apprentice mechanic, was suspended for dyeing his hair bright red to match his punk rock group's image.

Mr Thurman, aged 18, said his offer to wear a hat at

his offer to wear a hat at T. C. Harrisons of Rother-ham, South Yorkshire, had been refused. The garage general manager declined to

Winning soldier
Staff Sergeant Graham
Mottley, aged 33, of the
Royal Army Medical Corps,
who has won 5574,884 from Littlewoods football pools, said yesterday that he intended to stay in the army. A Kent man who won £578,895 decided to remain anony-

Chaplain dies

Father Francis Gresham, aged 48, who has been coordinating arrangements for the Pope's visit to York in May, has died after collapsing while playing squash at the city's univer-sity, where he was a chap-lain.

Toxteth ambush

A police patrol car was ambushed as it chased a stolen vehicle through Toxteth, Liverpool, yesterday.

Test of evidence against police outlined by DPP

By Peter Evans Eome Affairs Correspondent

The Director of Public them and they would be at a Prosecutions prosecutes in only two per cent of complaints of assault by police referred to him. Mr Peter Barnes, his deputy, told the disadvautage, compared with senior police officers, in trying to get at the truth.

Sir Thomas also criticized proposals for the appointment of a non-police supervisor or assessor of investi-House of Commons Select Committee on Home Affairs yesterday: Mr William Whitelaw, the

Home Secretary, is considering proposals for a Bill to reform the complaints system in the wake of the Scarman report into the Brixton riots.

The average number of prosecutions a year between 1975 and 1979 was 47 out of 2,664 complaints of assault annually. Only 22 of the prosecutions resulted in convictions. Mr Barnes said that the number of serious assults annually had been such as the therman 150 and 300 put at between 150 and 300

Sir Thomas Hetherington QC, the DPP, said in evidence that the main test in all cases submitted to him was whether there was a reasonable prospect of conviction solution.

on the basis of the evidence.
That test applied whether the young offenders are reconsuspect was a policeman or victed within two years of discharge from custody and the new Criminal Justice Bill

not.
'It should, I suggest, occasion no suprise that, despite the throughness of the investigation, this evidential test is satisfied in only a was suggested yesterday small percentage of cases. Often it is a case of 'oath against oath', but there are various other reasons why the evidence is so often insufficient.°

On occasions, when he was satisfied the evidence was sufficient but the case more suitable for disciplinary action, he advised the Deputy Chief Constable to discipline the officer.

Sir Thomas is against the idea that inquiries now carried out by police into complaints, should be taken over by independent investi-gators. He said it would be difficult to recruit enough of

Judge to be reported to lawyers' ruling body

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By Nicholas Timmins Judge Lord Dunboyne, who on Monday criticized defence counsel for time wasting and praised the police for manly restraint in causing relatively minor injuries to a black youth, is to be reported to the senate of the Inns of Court, the barristers governing body.

barristers' governing body.

Mr Sibghat Kadri, the defence counsel, who is joint chairman of the Society of Black Lawyers, said yesterday he would ask the group to raise the matter with the senate, and would also report it himself. A motion calling for the removal of Judge Lord Dunboyne is also to be put to the annual meeting of the society tomorrow.

Mr Kadri said that the judge had made it clear to the gations.

The change "might cause delays in the investigation", he said. There could be duplication of effort with officers in his department, who had to satisfy themselves that all proper inquiries had been made before the file was passed to them. There might also be a conflict between the assessor's duties and the DPP's statutory role.

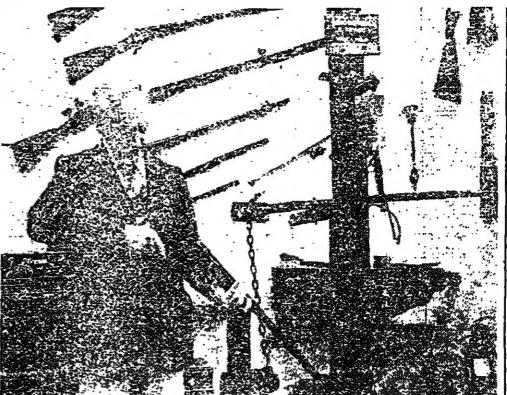
Mr Kadri said that the judge had made it clear to the jury that, if it was left to him, the defendant would have been convicted within minutes. In fact he was acquitted of assault on the police. "The verdict spoke for itself", Mr Kadri said. It was obvious that the defendant had been set upon by a large number of police

officers, yet the judge had praised the police for re-straint, "The misfortune is that when black youngsters, read that in the newspapers, particularly when they have followed the case, they will say: 'What justice? The judge still thinks we are guilty'."

was suggested yesterday

The younger the offender, the more likely he was to find himself back in custody, Miss Vivien Stern, director of the National Association for a life and death struggle after the Care and Resettlement of Offenders, said.

Marking the publication of NACRO briefing paper, Characteristics of Young Centrol of those under 17 sent to borstal and 76 per cent of that age group sent to months at a details struggle after he had allegedly thrown a brick at the police during the Brixton riots. He pleaded self-defence and was acquitied of assault but he was convicted of possessing an offensive weapon, the brick, and sentenced to three that age group sent to months at a detail of the service of administrative snakes and months at a detail of the service of administrative snakes and months at a detail of the service of administrative snakes and months at a detail of the service of administrative snakes and months at a detail of the service of the offensive weapon, the brick, and sentenced to three months at a detention centre. that age group sent to detention centres were reconvicted within two years. Judge Lord Dunboyne critizing Mr Kadri for unnecessarily prolonging the



End of an era: Mr Victor Grange, manager of Gallyon and Son's King's Lynn branch, the Queen's gunsmiths, which closes on February 20. The firm supplies Sandringham and has held the Royal Warrant since the 1940s.

Navy 'too slow in ordering ships'

By Henry Stanhope, Defence Correspondent

British Shipbuilders, the within the ministry. But BS tate-owned company, may has been told it cannot expect even a letter of intent state-owned company, may have to make 45 per cent of its workforce redundant unless the Navy orders some ships quickly, MPs were told yesterday.

The number of job losses could be cut from nearly 16,000 of the 33,000 work

force to about 2,700 by a plan which involves diversification of work at some shipyards and heavy reliance upon

administrative snakes and ladders" in Whitehall.

The Navy's seal of ap-proval, in the form of orders, would boost the export defence, gave guidance to the chances of the proposed new taxing officer that may result £50m Type-23 frigate, whose in Mr Kadri's fees being cut. design is still being debated chances of the proposed new

from the Government until the spring.

British Shipbuilders' executives told the Commons Defence Committe they desperately wanted orders for the Type-23 and for the Type-2400 conventionally powered submarine. They feared that by the time the Navy had finished with the designs they would be too expensive for foreign buyers. Some-times, they said, it takes the Navy up to six years before they ordered a ship.

Mr Robert Atkinson, chairman of BS, and three of his top executives, were giving evidence to the committee after seeing Navy orders reduced from an average of £440m to only £250m last

Mr Atkinson said: "Unless we get orders we will have to

eliminate a national capa-bility, with the loss of a skilled workforce we cannot replace, because we could not keep them on the pay-roll. We are told that financial constraints lie behind it. But we also have our financial constraints. I consider it is one of my tasks to protect a national asset."

Britain's record in selling larger warships like the £120m Type-22 frigate, was abysmal, he said. The market had been captured by countries like West Germany, The Netberlands, Italy and France who built cheaper warships and coordinated their export drive more effectively. The ministry's order for

the Type-2400 submarine, which would sell well to countries like Australia or Argentina, was promised in mid-1983. Two years ago the projected date had been mid-82.

Gassing of badgers spreads to Wales

Ey Hugh Clayton Environment Correspondent

The gassing of badgers to control cattle disease has spread to Wales and may start this year in English counties remote from the main centres of the disease. The Welsh Office said vesterday that 27 sets had been gassed in the prinicipality in recent months. Government scientists have begun trapping badgers with out killing them in the Midlands because of several cases of tuberculosis in cattle near Ipstones, Staffordshire.

Badgers will also be examined further south because the disease has appeared recently in two cattle herds near Haslemere, Surrey, and in one to the north of Eastbourne, East Sussex.
The Ministry of Agriculture,
Fisheries and Food reported
yesterday that the number of
diseased cattle in south-west
England rose slightly last year inspite of the resump-tion of gassing there late in 1980.

The Government stopped gassing late in 1979 because of bitter opposition from naturalists who claimed that infection of cattle by badgers had not been proved. Gassing resumed when Lord Zucker-man, after an investigation, said the disease threatened the survival of badgers as well as the health of cattle.

The ministry said yesterday that the number of diseased cattle rose from 343 in 1979 to 635 in 1980, when gassing was barned for most of the year. It rose to 648 last year even though gassing had resumed. The Government gives little publicity to the gassing campaign because demonstrators have some-times prevented its field officers from pumping gas into sets. Lord Zuckerman concen-

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trated in his report almost entirely on south-west England. The disease is still common near Land's End, in much of Avon and in the Cotswolds,

Lufthansa says fares could be cut

By Michael Baily Transport Correspondent

Air fares in Europe could be cut by 15 to 20 per cent if American practices on navi-gation and airports were followed, Lufthanse, Ger-many's state airline, claimed

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There was no price-fixing between European airlines, Mr Landgrege said. The competition rules of the Treaty of Rome did not apply to them. Airlines set fares in full accord with their governments who required the state airline to provide a particular route network as a national route network as a national

So long as individual nation states continued to make such requirements, it was unlikely that a common market would exist in Euro-pean air transport, he sug-

The American example of free competition through deregulation was not encouraging, he said. Fares which had been heavily reduced had risen again by up to 100 per cent in recent months. It was not possible for airlines to cut their charges so long as their costs were rising, Mr

Landgrege said. But there were certain costs in which United States airlines enjoyed a great advantage. Airport and traf-fic control charges which in Europe were paid by airlines and their customers were met by taxpayers in the United States.

Fuel charges were higher in Europe, as was labour when social security was

More want to shop on Sundays

The reconviction rate showed that custodial mea-

sures were not an effective answer to teenage crime.

DPP's statutory role.
The Association of Chief
Police Officers told the
committee it was reluctant to

accept that further change in

the system was necessary or desirable. However, if it was

politically impossible to maintain the status quo, the

use of a non-police super-visor could be a workable

the new Criminal Justice Bill is likely to increase the

number of young people sent to penal establishments, it

The younger the offender, the more likely he was to find himself back in custody, Miss Vivien Stern, director of

By Frances Gibb Nearly two people in three favour a change in the law to

years.
Lady Trumpington, who is sponsoring the Bill, said yesterday: "There is obviously great public support for the idea that shops should be free to decide their components bours, instead own opening hours, instead of being hemmed in by our present outdated, absurd

previous attempts to amend the Shops Act had failed largely because of opposition from the Union of Shop, Distrubutive and Allied Workers (Usdaw), and because of religious objections.

But this Bill, unlike previous attempts, commands wider support "which we hope will prove irresistible," she said.

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law which says a mother may buy a bottle of gin on a Sunday, but not milk for her baby's bottle, a newspaper from a newsagent's but not a Bible from a bookshop?"

Lady Trumpington, speak-ing at the National Consumer Council in London which with the Consumers' Associ-ation supports her Bill, said previous attempts to amend

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Hundreds of get-well messages have been sent to Police a community policeman and Constable Ian Bennett who is recovering in Bristol Royal Infirmary from injuries suffered in violence in the Constable Ian Bennett was a community policeman and bers of the coloured community have called to see fered in violence in the St how he is.

Paul's area of the city last His wife, Carol, shown at his bedside yesterday, said: "Ian is much better and I "Ian is much better and I thrown at him during gang have been reading the cards fights on Saturday. Hospital to him". Many messages have officials said he was making come from people in St a good recovery.

PC Bennett received a fractured skull and eye injuries when a bottle was

KILLED FRAIL CHILD' From Our Correspondent Liverpool

ONE BLOW

Gillian Lawson aged two, died from a single blow when she would not go to bed, Liverpool Crown Court was told yesterday. The child died in an

ambulance hours after being struck by John Rowlands, the court was told. Mr Rowlands, aged 22, of fellbeach Close, Birkenhead, denies manslanghter. denies manslaughter. The court was told that the child was frail and had weighed 3lb 10oz at birth. Mrs Susan Lawson, who lives

with Mr Rowlands, said her daughter would fall at the slightest push and needed physiotherapy for her legs. Miss Heather Steel, for the prosecution, read a statement by Mr Rowlands about the night he was left in charge of Gillian and her sister Kelly,

In it he allegedly said: "I got mad with the children because they would not go to bed. I pushed Gillian and she fell over. I got mad and I hit her The case was adjourned

aged three.

until today.

West needs concerted response on Poland

FOREIGN OFFICE

continue to condemn what was happening in Poland and to press the Polish Government to honour

Jointy.

The British Government, together with its European Community partners and Nato allies had condemned without reserve the massive violation of human and civil rights that had occurred in Poland.

We have (he said) called upon the Polish leadership to live up to its declared intention to re-establish civil liberties and the process of reform. The Government believe it is essential that there should be an active and concerted received.

in close consultations to coordi-nate specific measures to be adopted against Poland and the Soviet Union in accordance with Nato declaration of January 11.

As soon as decisions are taken, I shall inform the House of the

Mr Cyril Townsend (Bexley, Bexleyheath, C): In view of the international importance of recent events in Poland, does the Government agree with President Reagan's statement that human rights in Poland have been put back over 30 years? Is it his view that although there has been speculation, there has been no lifting of the military clamp down

Mr Atkins: Whether human rights have been put back 30 years, I would not wish to

plain that human rights are being prepared to take. That is exactly seriously violated in Poland. what is happening.

Mr Atkins: The Government deplores violation of human rights wherever it occurs. We have repeatedly said that with I have repeatedly said that with I C: There should be a concerted thought, the support of the Opposition. On the programme, the Prime Minister was asked to

Mr David Winnick (Walsall, North, Lab): The plight of the Polish people living under martial law and an oppressive Stalinist junta was not helped in any way by the production of Let Poland Be Poland. In many ways it made a mockery of the tragedy in Poland.

in Poland.

The United States President and the Prime Minister would speak with far greater authority and credibility on the Polish issue if they did not act constantly as defenders and apologists of evil or oppressive regimes all around the world, particularly in El Salvador.

Mr Atkins: Attacks by him on the Government for supporting evil and oppressive regimes throughout the world deserve no comment from me. He knows perfectly well the position of the Government about the events in Poland. On his judgment as to whether the programme, which I did not see, was helpful or not, what matters is that the western world should continue to con-

the Polish Government to honour its undertakings and should consider what action it is

Mr William Hamilton (Central Fife, Lab): While the House would accept and support his condemnation of the denial of civil rights in Poland, that stance pontificate upon ours. If we seek during Commons exchanges in which Labour MPs strongly criticized the American television programme Let Poland Be Poland.

He said that the western world should consider what action it was prepared to take. Britain was discussing with her allies today (in Brussels) the most appropriate measures they could take ointly.

The Beirich would be much more credible if we and the United States did not of their own affairs, we give their apply double standards in these matters, and if the Government of their own affairs, we give them a parallel justification for matters, and if the Government wants? It was prepared to take. Britain was discussing with her allies today (in Brussels) the most appropriate measures they could take ointly.

The Beirich

western response to the events in Poland and the actions of the Soviet Union. The response should be in terms of specific measures. He should ensure that

Mr Atkins: I agree. It is to this end that we have had, and are continuing today, discussions with our allies about the most appropriate measures we can take jointly. I cannot tell him whether we shall arrive at conclusions today, but I undertake that we shall press ahead as quickly as we can and I will keep the House informed.

Mr Dennis Healey, Chief Oppo-sition spokesman on foreign and Commonwealth affairs (Leeds, East, Lab): Is there any infor-mation on reports that there could be soon a meeting between the Polish authorities and members of the Solidarity union, including Mr Lech Walesa? If these reports prove to be true, this will be an important step towards satisfying the conditions we would all feel to be necessary before providing new aid to the Polish Government.

olish Government.

As the United States administ ration has agreed to the pay-ments of contributions it was obligated to make towards certain commercial banks which



Atkins: Civil liberties

Mr Atkins: No, it is not. We have agreed that the question of rescheduling Polish debts should be left in abeyance. That remains

be left in abeyance. That remains our position.

I do not know whether the reports that General Jaruzelski and Mr Lech Walesa will meet, are true or not. For my part I hope they are, for this is one of the conditions we made for reviewing our position towards Poland — that there should be a renewed dialogue between the Polish Government, Solidarity and the church and the church.

Sir John Biggs-Davidson (Epping Forest, C): In helping to relieve distress in Poland, it is important that supplies should be sent through church agencies rather than through the Polish Red Cross, which is clearly dominated by the dictatorship.

Mr Atkins: Yes. The EEC has decided to spend the money it set aside for selling food to the Polish government at a discount to providing humanizarian aid, including food aid. The channels through which it should be sent are important.

are important.

We are declining to send it to the Polish Government. It is our belief that the church is the best way of ensuring that the food we



reaches the right people.

I note what he says about the Red Cross. We are in touch with the international Red Cross and other voluntary organizations. The prime purpose is to ensure the food goes to those who really need it.

Mr Christopher Price (Lewisham, West, Lab): Some people found it a certain irony that the foreign a certain irony that the foreign minister of Turkey should take part in the programme Let Poland be Poland. Could I get the Government's policy straight on this? Is it Government policy that it is against the suppression of trade unions in Poland, but in favour of the suppression of trade unions in Turkey?

government or foreign minister of Turkey. The position of the British Government is plain and has the support of the majority of MPs.

We are against the kind of to maintain our opposition to it and use what efforts we can to ensure that the Polish Govern-ment returns to the course on which Poland had been embarked

Budget dilemma for court

a main estimate for 1982-3, meanwhile the payment will be

met by means of repayable

advances from the Contingencies Once the issue has been resolved, preferably through discussions between the comm-

unity institutions, but, if not,

through a judgment of the

EUROPE

If the British Parliament refuses to authorize the addition to the European Community budget adopted by the European Parliament, the British Government will have to reduce its payments to the EEC, Mr. Humphrey Atkins, Lord Privy Seal, said. Government's proposed action following the difference of view which had arisen between the Council of Ministers and the European Parliament on the

bridget.
In his statement, Mr Atkins said that the Council had decided to institute proceedings before the European Court of Justice about the budget, but that meanwhile member states would from the budget as adopted. The Council would also open dis-cussions with the Parliament and the Commission as soon as possible to resolve the problem.
We hope that these discussions will succeed (he said). At the same time we have to protect our legal position and ensure that, if

of doing that is through an action by the Council as a whole.

As some other member states were willing to accept the budget as adopted, and were reluctant to go to the court, the presidency proposed, as a compromise, that the council should take the matter to the court but that all member states should pay their courtibutions on the basis of the budget as adopted. We accepted this.

budget as adopted. We accepted this.

Because, in our view, that part of the budget added by the European Parliament after the second budget council on November 24 was not legally adopted, we cannot treat it, as we do the rest of the budget, as a direct charge on the consolidated fund on the basis of section 2 (3) of the European Communities

European Court, we shall know the amount which we are obliged to pay. We shall then either receive a repayment or be under a firm Community obligation to pay the full amount. Mr Eric Heffer, Opposition spokesman on European and Community affairs (Liverpool, Walton, Lab): it could rightly be argued that the European assembly has exceeded its powers sembly has exceeded its powers
by interpreting non-compulsory
expenditure on a wider basis than
generally accepted by the Council. That is a matter of principle.
While it is true that the extra
budget agreed by this essembly
beyond what the Council has
agreed to would marginally
benefit Britain, certainly in
relation to the regional and social

an answer is not found by discussion, we shall have a ruling of the court. By far the best way of doing that is through an action

of the European Communities Act 1972. We shall therefore make a separate payment of our part of this extra sum (about 22.5m per month). The authority of Parliament will be sought for this payment

The assembly's decision should be resisted and we can under-stand why the Government is in some difficulty in certainly not wanting to go to the European Court on its own. We regret the Government was unable to persuade its fellow EEC members to withhold payment until the court decided. In the circumstances,

should need to look closely at this proposal on payment and we reserve our position. Possibly we need a debate on the whole

Mr Atkins: I understand the position he has outlined. It will be possible to debate the matter when the supplementary estimate is laid before the House. Although in this case the mounts are not enormous there amounts are not enormous, there is a matter of principle involved here which could have far-reach-ing implications unless we get the matter settled.

It would have been preferable if we had persuaded our partners to join us in action. A joint approach by the council is more powerful than an instance. in a supplementary estimate for the current financial year and in

approach.

This is only of a temporary nature. If there is a decision that Parliament acted illegally, it is guaranteed that the money will be repaid. If it acted legally, it small be a community obligation and me fall in will

would be a community obligation we would have had to fall in with in any case.

Mr James Spicer (West Dusse; C): If it is a problem of a temporary nature, how lone will it be before the Court gives its

Mr Atkins: This is a zo for the Government, but for the European Court of Justice Pass experience shows that is dethe matter can be resolved by

Mr David Studdart (Swimi Mr David Stongart (Swinger, Lab): most MPs resent attempts by the European Assembly to filch powers which property belong to the Council of Ministers whose members are responsible to their national

relation to the regional and social fund, nevertheless that is out-weighed in other directions. Therefore it is right to resist the decision. Will he now make it clear that if this assembly continues to by to usurp powers of this House he will come forward with a European Assembly Repeal Hill and withdraw our delegation. He Arkins: No. I will not do the What we will do and are the will do and a second and the will do and are the will do and a second are the will do and are the will do and a second are the will do and are the will be a second and are the will be a second and are the will be a second are the will be a second and are the will be a second and a second are the will be a second and a second are the will be a second and a second are the will be a second and a second are the will be a second and a second are the will be a second and a second are the will be a second and a second are the will be a second and a second are the will be a second and a second are the will be a second and a second and a second are the will be a second and a second and a second are the will be a second and a second and a second are the will be a second and a second and a second are the will be a second and a second and a second are the will be a second and a second and a second are the will be a second and a second and a second are the will be a second and a second and a second and a second are the will be a second and a second and a second and a second are the will be a second and a second and a second are the will be a second and a second and a second are the will be a second and a se What we will do, and are doing is to ensure, so far as we can that the European Parliament acis only within the constraints has upon it.

Mr Guy Barnett, an Opposition spokesman on European and Community Affairs, (Greenwich, Lab): As it is clear that it is the Government's view that that sair of the budget which was added by the assembly was not legily adopted, and therefore does not fall within moneys which can be taken from the consolidated find under the European Communi-ties Act, and requires the authority of this House, what action is the Government going to take if this House refuses in give that authority?

Mr Atkins: We shall have to reduce our payments. We shall have to see what this House says.

S African reply being considered

ill-treatment

The South African Government had just replied to the British Government's expression of concern over allegations of ill-treatment by Mr Steven Kitson while detained by South African security forces, and this reply was now being carefully examined by the Government, Mr Richard Luce, Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, seid.

He told Mr Stanley Clinton
Davis (Hackney Central, Lab),
who had asked what representations had been made by the
Government to the South African
Government concerning the
treatment of Mr Kitson, that the
British Embassy, on the instructions of Lord Company of the display of licences and enforcement with fines of up to £5,000
for breaches of the terms of a
licence. tions of Lord Carrington, Sec-retary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, had drawn the attention of the South African Government to Mr Kitson's allegations of ill-treatment, expressed the concern of the British Government and asked that the allegations were

investigated.

We received a reply (be said) from the South African Govern-ment yesterday which is now being carefully examined. Mr Clinton Davis: What was the ment? Will Mr Luce take into account when assessing the bonafides of the reply, what is currently happening in South Africa with further intimidation, arrests of leading trade unionists, detention without trial and

ists, detention without trial and all the other miserable apparatus of the evil apartheid regime?

Mr Luce: The reply of South Africa is fairly detailed, since the allegations of Mr Kitson were fairly extensive, and therefore it will take time for us to investigate and decide how we should best deal with this.

We have repeatedly made statements, including our Permanent Representative at the United Nations and on behalf of the Ten should best deal with this.

We have repeatedly made statements, including our Permanent Representative at the United Nations, and on behalf of the Ten as well in December, that we deplore bannings and detentions and believe that people who are imprisoned for political reasons should be freed.

Intensified

effects of rail disaute PAIL DISPUTE

The Speaker, Mr George Thomas emergency debate on what he said was the failure of the British said was the failure of the British Railways Beard to honour its agreement to pay all railwaymen a 3 per cent increase from January and on the consequences for industry and the travelling

blr Huckfield said that since h last made such an application.
Asief had changed its intended days of taking strike action. which would have a different and possibly more intensified effect on the railway system. There was a strong feeling that the board ight revaliate tomorrow Many MPs believed that the Government was responsible in no small measure for the dispute

and that this was the firs new policy towards the trade naion movement. The Secretary of State for Transport had already intervened in this disarready intervened m, this dis-pute, but cutside the House.

He should be enabled to make the same inflammatory and misguided statements inside the House so that MPs could question him and put their points

Perliament today Commons (2.30): Questions: Agri-

coloure: Prime Minister. Lords (3): Debate on the Scarman

Protests at sex shop proposals

PORNOGRAPHY

control sex shops and sex cinemas were moved by Mr Timothy Raison, Minister of State, Home Office, when the report stage of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Pro-

Mr Raison said the number of sex shops had significantly increased over the past 18 months. They had, understand-

ably, caused a great deal of concern and resentment among local communities. That was especially true when they had been opened in particularly unsuitable locations such as near a school or in one case that her a school, or in one case, next to a church.

Local authorities had found themselves powerless to inter-vene. That was because sex shops had been opened in premises previously used as ordinary shops, and no planning per-mission was needed.

The idea of licensing sex shops had come from the GLC last year to deal with the problem in Soho and initially it had been decided

The thinking behind the proposals was to provide a means to control premises whose activities were not necessarily illegal, but whose used should regulated, to ensure undestrable elements were not concerned in their operation and the charcter of the surrounding area was not adversely affected.

It was not intended to prohibit sex shops, but to have a

It was not intended to prohibit sex shops, but to have a reasonablemeasure of control and to achieve this it was necessary to acknowledge their existence. The Government realised some might feel so strongly about the issue that even this degree of acknowledgement was unacceptable, but the evidence from many sources favoured the proposals.

Granting licences would not confer any immunity from the criminal law. Premises would continue to be subject to the Obscene Publications Act, 1959, and the Indecent Display Control Act, 1981. It had been argued that the

proposals gave some advantage to the pornography industry, but that was not the opinion of the sex shop proprietors.

The Bill would cover also sex cinemas - premises used to show films or videos portraying or dealing with sexual activity. It was not intended to include ordinary cinemas. There was also a specific exemption for premises being used in respect of birth control.

control.

It was possible that these provisions might be affected by a Cinematograph Bill which would have its second reading shortly, so the Government might wish to reconsider this part of the proposals at a later stage.

In making decisions on licency lead on the proposal and the proposal an

In making decisions on licences, local authorities would be able to take into account any objections received and refusal would follow if any of the conditions were not met. These included an age limit of 18 on the licence holder, if he had a conviction, or that the business argument that it was not a more middle with for the henefit of a superourize for those offences to report on the Brixton disturbances | would be run for the benefit of a appropriate for those offences to industry.

person who would himself be refused a licence.

When the number of sex establishments would be excessive or inappropriate to the locality, a licence could also be refused. But it would not be possible for an authority to say simply no to all sex shops; there would have to be a reason for refusal. Existing premises would have to a licence and would have to apply as any new premise would. Any sex shop in operation before December 22, 1981, would have to receive preference where there was a question of too many applications.

Applicants who were turned down would have a right of appeal to the magistrates; court and then to the Crown Court. A licence would be subject to terms and conditions as prescribed by

refused on any of the grounds on

Mould have power to enter and inspect licensed premises at any reasonable time and to inspect anlicensed premises on a war-

Commenting on an amendment by Sir Bernard Braine (Essex, South East) and Dr Brian Mawhinney (Peterborough, C), he said it was essential that the definition of sex establishments should be as comprehensive as possible and have no obvious loopholes which could be exarragements.

No right would be conferred on any individual to trade in any material which contravened the

general criminal law. If the Bill did not include the various activities which might be lawful, they would be outside the terms of the controls which would be weakened when there was a strong desire for tightening them



On other amendments, the Government did not want to risk the possibility that other premises which the Bill was not designed to deal with might be held to require a licence. Examples were medical bookstops, or those dealing with marriage guidance or sexual relations in marriage. He feared that an obligation on

the licensing authority to hear in person every individual who objected to an application would place substantial burdens on the

The most appropriate and effective penalty would be one which reflected the high financial rewards associated with the activities of those premises. For that reason there was an exceptional maximum penalty of £5,000 on summary conviction. Imprisonment would be difficult to recordle with the general peed to reserve such powers for need to reserve such powers for the more serious offences. Dr Shirley Sommerskill, an

Opposition spokesman on home affairs (Halifax, Lab) said that This was an industry making a great deal of money. Fines should be raised to something that would deter and frighten if

of speed.

Mr Roland Moyle (Lewisham,
East, Lab) said that he supported
the proposals. Sex shops were
beginning to spread to the
suburbs and becoming much
more visible to the ordinary
population and capable of causing considerable offence.

He had an amendment to
prevent sex shops selling articles
to stimulate or encourage cruelty
or violence.

Sir Bernard Braine (South-East tise, which could reflect public opinion in the area. It was not a strong and growing reaction. It was not merely that people's instinct made them revolt against the filth peddled from these establishments, but in the view of the communities most closely

designed to encourage such activity should have been banned altogether. Instead there was to Local authorities and the police be written into the law that it was

be written into the law that it was permissible in certain circum-stances. What the Government had set out to do would not do. Astonishingly, it even made provision for an exemption from licensing, providing an open door Pornographers were laughing

all the way to the bank. The punishments proposed in this Bill were derisory against the vast and increasing profits made out of this filthy trade. Here was a licence to print money on a scale that existed nowhere else in this country.

Licensing sex shops was bad in

Licensing sex shops was bad in principle because it implied social and parliamentary approval of a fundamentally corrupt and corrupting enterprise. Pornography refied for its effect on the degradation of women. Therefore it was specifically designed to undermine society. The Bill would have the likely

effect of concentrating the vicous trade of sex shops in areas where local authorities would allow licences. But the Bill did not make it possible for a local authority to close porn shops in its own area forthwith and make it clear it would not tolerate hem. The Government should have

second thoughts and stiffen the proposals to give local authorities the power to close down this evil trade. If the minister replying to the debate could give an assurance on this, he would not

New long-term plan for coal needed

The Coal Industry Bill was given an unopposed second reading on Tuesday night.

During later stages of the debate,

said he was amazed at the amount of money being spent by the Government.

Benefits secured from the North Sea went straight into the NCB deficit. Mr Barry Henderson (East Fife, C) said it was disappointing the Government had not taken the

opportunity to loosen, however slightly, the stranglehold of monopoly and restrictive trade practices which prevented this industry from achieving its potential as a key national

Mr Thomas Ellis (Wrexham, SDP) welcomed the Bill an said they could now look forward to realistic pricing. For years the industry had suffered from unrealistic pricing resulting from capricious political intervention ton North, C) said the Government should consider a new clause to allow the partial privatization of part of the

Mr Alexander Lvon (York, Lab)

Mr Alexander Lyon (York, Lab) said that he was in favour of licensing in the way it was contained in the schedule, but against doing it through planning regulations. The planners had no criterion for judging the likely effects of a sex shop, whereas the local authority did.

Why should a local authority not be able to justify its refusal to license a sex shop simply because it did not want sex shops in its area? It was primarily an because it did not want sex snops in its area? It was primarily an issue for local authority expertise, which could reflect public opinion in the area. It was not a decision for a Crown Court judge. Something should be written into the schedule to allow

establishments, but in the view of the communities most closely affected it degraded the neighbourhoods in which these shops operated.

The portrayal of violence and The portrayal of violence and the sale of material constraints of the public felt frustrated that they could do nothing about them. Despite all the complaints from Mrs Whitehouse and others, the official forecast for the next budget's net contributions was £1,400 — at £25 per head of population — and making Britain the biggest contributor. To leave the contributions are the contributions of the public felt frustrated that they could do nothing about them. Despite all the complaints from Mrs Whitehouse and others, the official forecast for the next budget's net contributions was £1,400 — at £25 per head of population — and making Britain the biggest contributor. To leave the contributions are constraints of the contributions are constraints. 35 for Middle East

The British contribution towards the Middle East peace keeping force will probably be made up by a headquarters contingent of about 35 men, Mr Douglas Hurd, Minister of State, Foreign Office, said during questions.

Lunch voiciners

The luncheon voucher concession was not and never had been, linked to the cost of a ham sandwich, Lord Cockfield, Minister of State, Treasury, said.

He was answering the Earl of Kinnoull (C) who wanted the Government to consider, before the next Budget, adjusting the allowance of luncheon vouchers at least to equal the present cost of a single ham sandwich.

A Bill to provide for the United Kingdom to leave the Common Market was rejected by 212 votes 110 — majority against, 102. Its sponsor, Mr Dennis Canavan (West Stirlingshire, Lab), seeking leave to bring in his European Communities Act 1972 (repeal) Bill, said membership of the EEC had been an unmitigated disaster in terms of jobs, trade, industry, agriculture, fisheries, food, economy, and virtually any criterion that could be named. The Treaty of Rome had been a

The Treaty of Rome had been a charter for multi-national compacharter for multi-national compa-nies to take their investment out of Britain, ship jobs akroad and throw people on the dole quenes. It had only provided jobs for a few overpaid Euro-MPs, Euro fenatics and carpetbaggers like Mr Roy Jenkins, who took over £250,000 for his job in the EEC and was now trying to con the people of Hillhead to vote for him. The people of Scotland would see through this nonsense. Rumours from Whitehall were

would not be turning a back on world trade. The EEC was a narrow protectionist block.

Sir Anthony (West Flint, C), opposing the Bill, said that nobody would deny that the EEC was not working particularly well at present, but Britain had had a long decline. To say that all her long decline. To say that all her troubles were due to membership of the EEC had as much intellectual responsibility as to say they were due to Commonwealth immigration. Both were untrue and equally squalid.

Britain trade deficit with the EEC was one-third of what it was with the United States and one-twelth of what it was with Japan. Her contribution to the EEC was Her contribution to the EEC was only one-twentieth of a penny in the pound of public expenditure

lest year.

If Britain broke the treaty, who would want to enter into a binding agreement with her of Foreign Ministers meeting the

Bill to get UK out of EEC rejected again? The decision to join had been taken after the most thorough national debate in history. Britain had been a member for 10 years it was time

to grow up, stop hankering for a past that was gone and stop dreaming impossible dreams. While there were differences of view between Britain and her EEC partners, relations between them were good, Mr Humphrey Atkins, Lord Privy Seal, said when smid some laughter Mr Anthony Merican (Northernation Anthony Marlow (Northampton, North, C) asked Mr Atkins if he intended to take any steps to celebrate 10 years of United Kingdom membership of the EEC on January 1, 1983.

endum campaign, the minister of propaganda sent round an unsolicited document to every household on the puported benefits of membership. To celebrate the tenth anniversary next year, would Mr Atkins set out the facts to everyone, pointing out partirularly that it has cost £1m a day since we joined?

arrangements made by the Prime Minister came to £1m a week. Mr Ronald Leighton (Newnham, North East, Lab): With the anniversary coming up we are having the worst relations with

two peacemakers, Leo Time mans, the Belgian foreign miniter, who is president of the council, and Gaston Thorn, president of the commission, were asked to tour the ESC capitals to seek amicable agreement on reform but agreed there was no point in doing so

Mr Atkins said no specific steps were invisaged by the Government to celebrate the

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Mr Atkins: I cannot answer for the activities of the so called minister for propaganda during the campaign. That was nothing to do with this party. (Laughter), Our EEC membership last year did not cost us £1m a day. Our adjusted contributions after the

our European partners than we have ever had . Has be seen the report from the Brussels correspondent of The Times on Saturday? was no point in doing so
Mr Atkins: I reject both of his
points. All of us are seeking to
achieve what the European
Council, the heads of government, agreed that we should do.
Leo Tindemans and Gaston
Thorn are not doing as Mr
Leighton suggested. They are
embarking on precisely the kind
of discussions which they and we
believe may lead to a solution.

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Mer Eldon Griffiths Burg St Edmunds, (C): He should that again about the suggestion. It would be a good idea on the tenth anniversary to set out to the British public the immense benefits of membership and, moreover, to indicate that, if we mut own own house, in order.

put our own house in order, there are great treasures still to be won (Some laughter) Mr Atkins: We do not need to suggests. Ministers seek to do k continuously. Rather than to ebrating and having a party, it ebraing and baving a party, it is more important to persuade the people of these benefits and that the right thing to do is to take advantage of them.

If Eric Heffer Opposition spokesman on European, and Community Affairs: In the Government going to be purely serious about the fairney budget negotiations? We have had continuous negotiations in had continuous negotiations in the past and no permanent settlement has been reached.

It is assumed that the contr-bution will be £1,400m. On that basis can we know now that this time the Government is samu-inely serious Mr Atkins: The figure he had quoted is the madjusted cosm-bution. This is going to be adjusted because of the stand the Government took in 1980.

Labour call for new deal

HOUSE OF LORDS

Britain needed a new economic Britain needed a new economic deal and a new social purpose which must be infused with something warmer and more human than the cold, crude concept of market forces, Lord Beswick, speaking for the Opposition, said when opening a debate on the over-reliance on market forces in society.

He said the Government's present economic policy was not giving and could not give the society required. In the modern

social results which a stable society required. In the modern industrial society with modern equipment so that everyone could communicate easily, a broadly-based policy, democratically agreed, was a prerequisite for the solution of economic problems. At this time, in this kind of society, the Government had chosen to turn back the pages of history, to emphasize the merits of individual self-seeking and to over-qualify the idea of private as against public enterprise.

To secure a genuinely stable

against public enterprise.

To secure a genuinely stable and civilized society, some broad agreement on a national incomes policy was essential. It would be difficult to evolve a policy which would be meaningful and flexible, but it would be quite unobtainable if the concept of market forces dominated all other activities. Now was the time for seeking a consensus on time for seeking a consensus on a wider policy, manifestly shaped for the common good. High interest rates were now

High interest rates were now more of the cause than the cure of inflation. All money borrowed went to pay interest on money already borrowed, and neither governments nor industries could face that situation for long.

Market forces in general and interest rates in particular were distorting the above of 400 cere of the course of the cou distorting the shape of society. This distortion gave a society in which more houses were needed while half a million construction workers were kept idle and their

To get the social and economic To get the social and economic infrastructure needed in health, education, social services, transport and communications, public enterprise had a crucial part to play. To get the pump-priming the private sector needed public investment was required.

Lady Young, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Leader of the House, said the fact could not be escaped that the quality of Britain's public services ultimately depended on the health of

Beswick: Be warmer and more human

earned by industry.
The country had learnt by bitter experience that too heavy a burden of public expenditure damaged the profitability of the damaged the providently of the private sector and reduced its capacity to finance the kind of welfare everybody wanted to see. Short-term injections of money could give some temporary relief but only postponed an even harsher day of reckoning. Recovery did not need re-fiation. Real, sustainable recovery was under way. It was painfully slow. It had to be. There were no quick or easy solutions to Britain's industrial

which more houses were needed while half a million construction workers were kept idle and their families supported by Government money borrowed at 14 or 15 consensus harm. Was there a fail-per cent. We have to reverse recent trends (he said) and increase the possibility of rewards for honest

productive endeavour. Lower, do more than inflict damage on much lower, interest rates are industrial and commercial essential. Lord Rochester said the Liberals and SDP would like to see much less time spent on squabbling about where the public sector should end and the private sector should begin and more on making the first more efficient and the second more profitable.

There was no consenus or a single untried solution among these proposals. But there was a need for a consensus of common sense based on an understanding of the facts of economic life. The country was seeing the signs of this understanding with productivity rising strongly.

We have come a long way take activity?

We have come a long way (she said) and having come so far we must build on these achievements. It would be a mistake even to consider a return to the policies of the past when we are still struggling with the consequences of their failure.

There are grounds for hope that we are beginning to see the signs of a reversal of Britain's slow economic decline. I would not be prepared to throw this away, nor do I believe that the British people would.

The Bisbop of Lincoln, the Rt Rev Simon Phipps, said the Government must do something for those who were most hurt. It for those who were most nurt. It could be reasonably said that the inefficient, the over-manned and those who resisted change needed to be hurt out of the damage they were doing to the economy, but millions were being hurt who had done nothing to decare it

Lord Harris of High Cross (Ind) said the Government was far from deserving the well-worn stricture that it was a band of extremists hell beat on turning the clock back to the heydays of nineteenth century liberalism. Market forces were only ordinary men and women as consumers and producers coop-crating in competition for their mutual benefit.

He urged the Government to

Shrill student **protesters** attacked

EDUCATION

It was those who sought to deny it was those who sought warry freedom of speech, for instance, to visitors who brought the student body into disrepute load Etton, Under Secretary of State for Health and Social Secretary, said in response to a question in the House of Lords about the decision of the National Union of Students to call for a week of decision of the National Union of Students to call for a week of disruption in the universities polytechnics and colleges. He added: Those student merely demonstrate in a small shrill way an affinity with Adolf Hitler and Joseph Stalin as instinctive fear of the man (Conservative Cheers) questioners that it was to be hoped that students would no

disrupt institutions and courses, but should any instances occur the responsibility must remain Lady David, for the Opposition, said the students had something to be worried about. Their grant was going to be increased by a per cent, well below the inflation rate, and the parental contribution was frozen at its present level. They had something to take action about (Labour cheers).

under the Government's con-straints many students were suffering hardship. Many stu-dents to dents were not getting enough to books they were supposed to buy. This affected the middle income groups mainly.

In this PR age (he said) I wank of protest is about the only way they can make their grievance felt (Conservative protests and Labour cheers). Lord Elton: The Government's

economic restraints cannot be applied less straingantly to those who are not in work but are learning at public expense than to those who are in work.

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to Wolves players.

Johnnie Giles said the bribes allegations were "Lu-

dicrous". Allan Clarke said he was

Mr Justice Bristow told the

Billy Bremner was for a

Billy Bremner, the Mr Dougan, who scored former Leeds and Scotland the goal which prevented footballer, was awarded Leeds from winning the vital footballer, was awarded £100,000 damages by a High Court jury in London yester-day over newspaper alle-gations that he had offered "double", said he never bribes to "fix" matches. heard any members of the Leeds team or anyone con-nected with them offer bribes

The jury of seven men and five women decided after a two-hour retirement that the Sunday People was not jus-tified in making the accu-

The publishers, Odhams Newspapers, and Danny Hegan, the former Wolves "absolutely disgusted" by the article. The allegations were "total nonsense", Jack Charplayer, were ordered to pay "total no the damages and also costs of Iton said the damages and also costs of the seven-day hearing, estimated to more than £60,000.

The libel award is one of the highest awarded in the High Court.

Mr Hegan told a reporter former Leeds players, and by

High Court.
Mr Hegan told a reporter

Mr Hegan told a reporter former Leeds players, and by and repeated in evidence that two journalists.

Mr Bremner offered him a "grand" to give away a cenalty in a championship-deciding Leeds v Wolves game in 1972.

Mr Bremner, aged 39, of Maltby, near Rotterham, who now manages Doncaster give you a grand."

Rovers in the Third Div.

Frank Munro Wolves skip. Frank Munro, Wolves skip-per in the match, said Mr Bremner offered him £5,000 Rovers, in the Third Division, said he was delighted with the verdict, adding: "It's been the longest six days of

to give away a penalty.

Mr Munro, now living in A lawver for Odhams said Australia, agreed that the Sunday People had paid they were considering an £4,000 in air fares to bring him and his family back to appeal over the amount of

Mr Bremner denied in evidence that he had ever Mr McAdams, aged 48, now offered a bribe to a footballer or attempted to fix a match.

Mr Patrick Milmo, his counsel, had asked for large damages to compensate Mr Leeds team before a match. against Southampton, in 1962, that he had "fixed" one Bremner for injury to his reputation and distress caused to him and his family. Mr Bremner had told the of the Southampton players

Mr Bremner had told the jury that he gave up his playing career because of jibes from the terraces at away matches that he fixed games.

He said his childrem had also been taunted at school of the Southampton players to the Southampton players to the Southampton players to the Southampton players to get a result.

The "fix" involved Billy Bremner, Mr McAdams said.

Gary Sprake, aged 38, the former Leeds goalkeeper, now retired from football and living in Solihull, also said the Mr Bremner.

also been taunted at schood that Mr Bremner was sent by that their father was "a Mr Revie to "fix" a Nottingfixer", and similar accu- ham sations were made to his wife 1971 ham Forest player in May, when she was shopping.

Evidence in support of Mr jury that the Sunday People remner's case was given by was, in effect, accusing Billy Evidence in support of the support o his former team-mates, Johnny Gles, now player-manager of Shamrock Rovers, Jackie Charlton, manager of Sheffield Wednesday, Allan Clarke, manager of Leeds, and Derek Dougan, the Scottish International.

Mr. Dougan Charman of Corruption." the judge of corruption." corruption,"

Mr Dougan, charman of corrupti the Professional Footballers' advised. Association, was a former team-mate at Wolves of Mr time Britain's highest paid Hegan, who made the allemid-fielder. His earnings at gations against Mr Bremner Leeds in 1974 were reported in the Sunday People in 1977. to total nearly £100,000.

Inquest on Moonie follower is halted

coroner yesterday stopped an inquest into the death of man involved with the Moonies and told the police he was not satisfied with their investigation.

Mr Leslie Tos, aged 29, a gardener, of Kimberley Road, Stockwell, south Lon-

don, drowned in the Thames last month. He was described by Mrs June Attard, his sister, as a frightened man.

"He would sleep in a chair in the front room with the curtains open because some one might be coming for him. He was very nervous and he would sometimes go to the front door with a pitchfork in his hand," she

aid. Dr Paul Knapman, the Westminster coroner, was told that Mr Tos was seen floating under Battersea Bridge clinging to his ruck-sack and shouting for help, but when constable Charles owther arrived at Albert Bridge he could see only the rucksack.

Professor Keith Simpson the pathologist, said there were no marks on the body to suggest that Mr Tos had been thrown into the water and he was sure Mr Tos was alive when he entered the

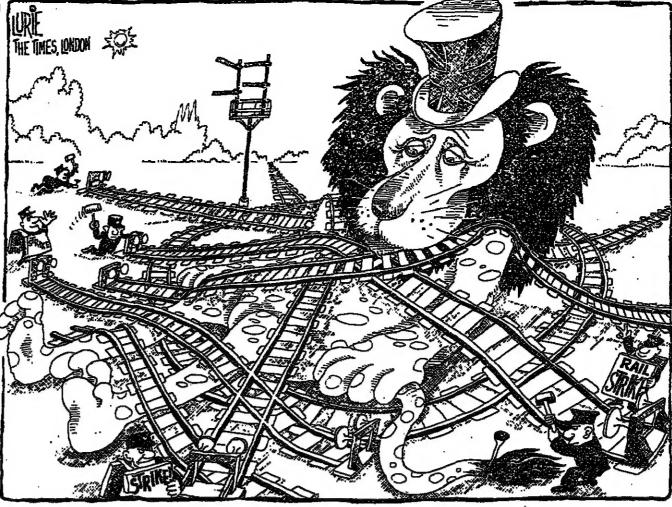
Dr Knapman stopped the hearing, saying: "This man was shouting and making a noise while he was in the water. This is not the sort of behaviour one would expect from a man who wanted to kill himself. This case has not been sufficiently investigated by the CID so I am stopping it here and now.

"I don't think it would be right to record an open verdict in view of his sister's evidence. I would like the CID to interview the relevant parties in this case; so far they have done nothing."

The hearing resumes March 17.

Delayed start for TV studio

Central Independent Television's new Nottingham studio will begin broadcast-ing on Monday, February 15, following the settlement of a dispute over pay and man-ning. An hour-long magazine programme of East Midlands news, Central News at 6, will Start the service The prestart the service from the senters will be Anne Dia-mond and Nick Owen and there will be special items from around the region.



BBC unhappy about | Landlord ordered to complaint ruling

Mr Holt's complaint fell

did not consider they were

investigated in sufficient depth to justify associating

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Mr Harry Marks, see

wish to comment on

The BBC expressed dis- staff are said to feel they the way the Broadcasting Complaints Commission took evidence in a case concerning the Checkpoint consumer affairs programme on Radio 4.

After an adjudication ties of a Miss Jan Kerby against the programme, (formerly Dutton), against which the BBC accepts, Mr. whose defunct theatrical bayin Barlow, secretary of agency they had received the corporation, is to seek an allegations of financial misearly meeting with the management. commission. Procedures for taking evidence deserve further study, the BBC says.
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commission's rules of procedure. "They do not seem to exist", he said. "And we do not understand the basis on which they accept or reject evidence. We were not given an uninterrupted opportunity to present our case.' The programme's lawyers

are understood to have expressed the view that in a court of law the programme down".

The complaint is the first to be upheld against Check-

point and the programme BBC's.statement.

iail for contempt

Mr Roy Cutler, aged 68, a west London landlord and brother of Sir Horace Cutler, the former GLC leader, was ordered by a High Court judge yesterday to be jailed for six weeks for contempt of

Mr Cutler had failed to obey court orders to provide the names of tenants living in a sub-standard block of flats which the local authority wants to demolish. About 15 tenants are still

living in Brook House, West Drayton, described in High Court as "unfit for human habitation" by Mr Richard Walker, counsel for Hillingdon Borough Council.
Mr Cutles, of Alexandra Avenue, South Harrow, was not in court yesterday when the six-week prison commit-

the theatre with the allega-tions of financial mis-management made against tal order was made. Mr Justice Hodgson was told that Mr Cutler had so far Miss Kerby in respect of her provided only seven names, claiming he did not know the defunct agency.
Nor was the programme's rest. The council required all implication justified that actor and actresses were in the names to bring county court proceedings aimed at having the building demol-

> Mr Cutler sent a note to the court claiming he had to go into hospital yesterday for Friday.

an emergency knee oper-ation. But Mr Walker said the hospital had no record of any appointment, adding: ."What is plainly happening, and it has been going on for ten years, is that he wants to hold out as long as possible and not comply with the demolition order."

Mr Cutler was ordered by the court last November to provide the names of tenants. Last Thursday he was given until yesterday to comply fully with the order.

"It seems clear he is not going to comply until he is in prison. But he has been in prison before, and I do not know how much good it will do" the judge said.

World Cup case

The Football Association and the Football League yesterday began a High Court action to stop the alleged unlicensed use of their 1982

NEWS IN SUMMARY

Vandals end use of rescue kit

A big wooden box containing mountain rescue equipment in case of emergencies in the Lake District has been so vandalized that it has been brought down. The Mountain
Rescue Commitee of England
and Wales is being recommended not to replace it.
The box, at the eastern end

or Striding Edge, Helvellyn was donated by Barrow Mountaineering club eight years ago as a memorial to a member. It contained a stretcher, casualty bag, first-aid equipment and splints, supplied by the mountain rescue committee. Mr Joe Boothroyd, leader of the Patterdale mountain rescue team, said the stretcher was vandalized three years ago and had to be replaced. The and had to be repulted. The box was also badly damaged and had to be rebuilt. "Since then it has been vandalized beyond recog-

nition. We are recommending that neither be replaced," Mr Boothroyd said.

Navy to sell its only hydrofoil

The Royal Navy is to sell its only hydrofoil, the 117-ton HMS Speedy, bought from the United States in 1980 and converted at a cost of £7.5m.

The craft was under trial as a high speed fisheries and oil rig protection vessel, but North Sea conditions have been found to be too severe been found to be too severe for it, Whitehall officials said yesterday. Her range, endurance and maintenance has disappointed the Navy.

Police talk man out of suicide

Three policemen spent 80 minutes on a 150 foot crane in a Plymouth car park yesterday coaxing down a man who was threatening to jump.

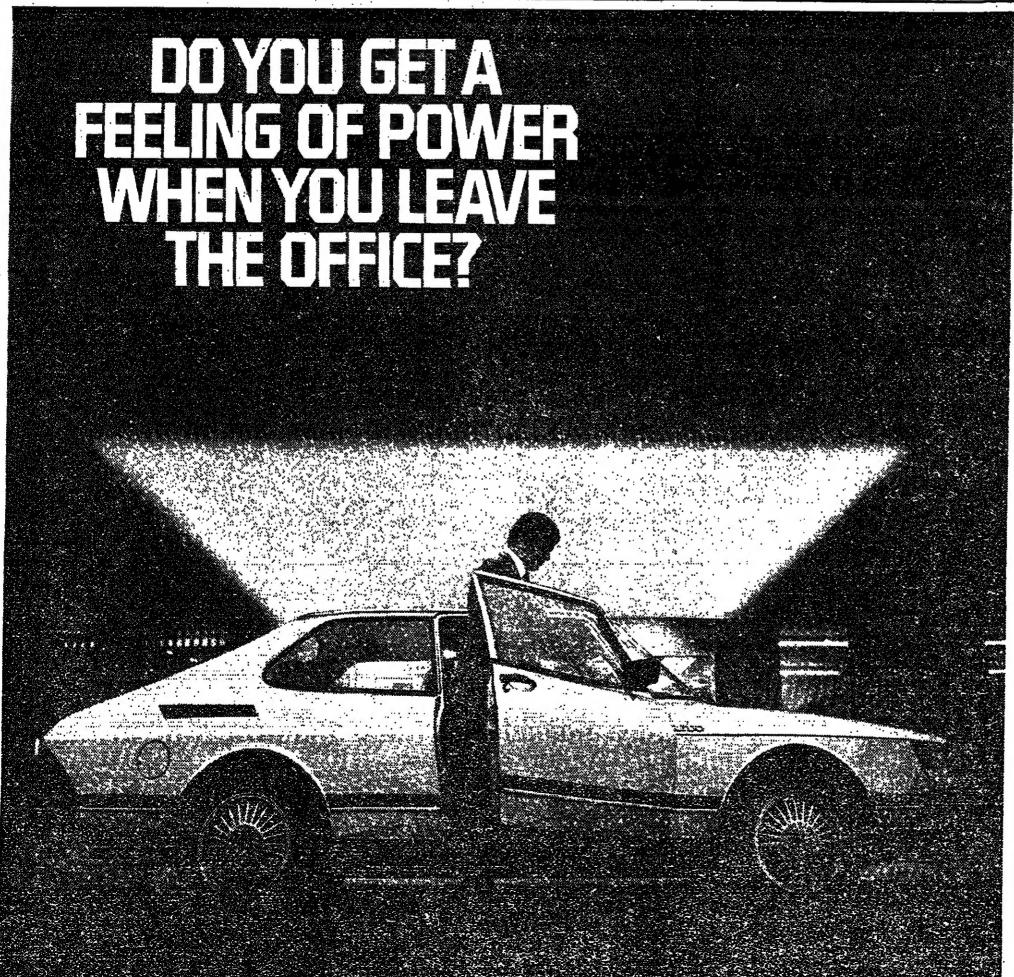
Constable Keith Steward, constable Chris May and constable Geoffrey Symes persuaded the man, aged 31, to climb down after a woman he was asking to see arrived at the car park. The man was taken into police care.

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Murder trial

Daniel Rosenthal, aged 27, of Nordik Gardens, Hedge unlicensed use of their 1982 World Cup emblem Bulldog Bobby on tee shirts sold in the North of England. The case was adjourned until Friday.

Eng. Southampton, was committed at Eastleigh Magistrates' Court yesterday for trial at Winchester Crown Court, charged with the murder of his mother, aged 60.



After an exciting day at work when the adrenalin has been flowing, does a feeling of despondency creep over you with the thought of the drive home?

Does the exhilaration of the day come to a sudden halt, the moment you step into your car?

Yet, you know there are certain cars in the world, that send the blood racing through the veins, even with a quick glimpse of them in a car park.

The Saab Turbo must be one such car. From its long low bonnet to its sporty rear spoiler, it simply exudes power. The kind of power you'd normally associate with extremely expensive two-seater sports cars.

Yet although you've got a hundred and forty-five horse power under your bonnet, you've got the spacious comfort of a luxury five-seater saloon for under £11,500.

The special Saab turbo engine technology (it's as closely guarded as the blend of an ancient malt whisky) has developed an engine, that not only gives you a rapid surge of power, but a rare quality of smoothness usually reserved for expensive six-cylinder engines.

It is this smoothness, combined with the extremely low wind and road noise, that puts the Saab Turbo into a class of its own. In fact, in a Turbo, you could be forgiven for imagining you're serenely cruising across the sky 30,000 feet up.

There's also a hint of our aviation background in the aircraft precision of the instrumentation layout, and visibility.

And the positive way it handles, even at 122 mph.

Yet with all its very impressive acceleration, it's surprisingly economical. You can actually enjoy 34 miles per gallon, at a constant 56 miles per hour.

Which just goes to prove that not all power corrupts.

Nato denies US troop withdrawals

Nato has firmly denied a report in Die Welt the West may be considering big withdrawals of American troops from West Germany (Our Foreign Staff writes). Senior Nato officials in Brussels said that the Pentaprussess said that the Pentagon may be considering whether some American forces could be used elsewhere in emergencies. If so, the officials maintain, their removal would be only temporary, along the lines of British Rhine army battalions being used in Northern Ireland.

The report in Die Web-

quoting Nato sources, says the aim of the study was to protect American interests worldwide by strengthened air and naval forces with a highly mobile deployment force ready to strike anywhere at short notice.

It is possible that the story was leaked because there are

isolationist tendencies in the United States that advocate the removal of troops from Europe. The West German Government would be highly alarmed at any such sugges-tion and may, therefore, welcome a firm denial from Washington to set the record straight.

Israeli soldier goes berserk

died. His condition is grave.
Army sources said the soldier was a conscript who had just completed a sevenday prison sentence for a breach of discipline.

Debray to examine plight of refugees

Islamabad. — M Regis Debray, the French presiden-Debray, the French presidential adviser for foreign relations, will travel to Pakistan next Monday for a threeday fact-finding mission on the situation of Afghan refugees there, reliable sources here said. M Debray three years in itsil in spent three years in jail in Bolivia after supporting the guerrillas led by Che Guevara.

172 Kurds go on trial in Turkey

Ankarra.—A total of 172 left-wing Kurdish Labour Party members went on trial at Erzurum, eastern Turkey, accused of trying to establish an independent Kurdish

ing the death penalty for 34 of the defendants and sentences of between six months and 20 years for the rest. Commander shot

The prosecution is demand

San Sebastian. - Unidenti-

ed a naval commander in the Basque town of Zarauz as he

Tin magnate dies

New York.—Senor Antenor Patino, the Bolivian tin magnate, has died in New York aged 85.

South Africans to streamline anti-terror laws

draconian security laws, application from the Com-together with a proposal for missioner of Police. a new Ministry of Law and The draft legislation also Order to administer them, were laid before Parliament here today.

here today.

The Bills are the outcome and submit written reports to of 18 months' work by a sixman commission of inquiry into security legislation under the chairmanship of under the chairmanship of Mr Justice Rabie, a senior Transvaal judge. The inquiry released after six months, the police would be required to adduce reasons before. Announcing the com-

mission's proposals, Mr Kobie Coetsee, the Minister of Justice, said the Govern-ment was treating them as a very high priority and would make known its attitude to them later this session. They are to be debated in conjunction with the Steyn Com-mission report on the press. The commission's main finding is that the toughness

of the existing security laws is amply justified by the terrorism and sabotage committed in the republic during the past few years, and the likelihood that these activites would continue to increase in the foreseeable future.

Those responsible for these activities, the com-mission contends, are trying to overthrow the existing order by violence, are aided Tel Aviv. — An army recruit went berserk in training camp in southern larael and shot 10 soldiers before turning his weapon on before turning his victims

The commission does, however, allow that the wideness and stringency of the security laws have had some inequitable effects, and that use of provisions for the detertion of recode without detention of people without trial and the banning of unlawful organizations and publications need to be more strictly monitored.

Among the changes recom-mended are that those de-tained should be visited in private not less than once a

German newspaper, that the American Andmiristration may be considering high

provides for the appointment of Inspectors of Detainees who would visit prisoners

maltreatment.

If a prisoner had not been released after six months, the police would be required to adduce reasons before a board of review, which would also be empowered to take also be empowered to take written and oral evidence from the prisoner. A report would then be submitted to the minister.

These proposals are evidently designed to quiet ome of the domestic and foreign criticism of the treatment of those detained, who are frequently held incommuni-cado and without access to lawyers or relations. Prisoners have also died from oners have also died from supposed accidents ranging from falling out of windows to slipping on bars of soap. The new draft Bills would regroup all the existing security laws, of which there are more than 30, into three pieces of legislation: an Internal Security Act (dealing with four redefined offences of terrorism, subversion, sabotage and communism); a Protection of Certain Information Bill (replacing the existing Official Secrets Act); and a Bill to combat a new offence of

combat a new offence of intimidation.

Mr Louis Le Grange, the Minister of Police, told Parliament today there would be a very important sabotage trial later this year. Care was being taken, he added, to see that they did not injure themselves or commit suicide in the meantime.

According to Mr Le Grange, there are 133 people detained under the security laws excluding people held under provisions allowing for formight by a magistrate and detention for interrogation a district surgeon, and may for up to 14 days.

Carrington flies into Asean disarray

From David Watts Bangkok, Feb 3

struggle to coerce the Vietnawould play into the hands of
mese into leaving Cambodia
after a remark yesterday by
Datuk
Sri
Mahathir
Mohamed, the Prime Minister of Malaysia, which appeared to undermine Asean

Fundemental to this has been maintenance of the Khmer Rouge seat at the United Nations, Asean leaders have always maintained that it was essential to keep the seat in the hands of the Khmer Rouge to prevent it going by default.

Lord Carrington, the But yesterday Dr Mahathir Foreign Secretary, flew into hinted to Asean parliamentaliand tonight against a tarians in Kuala Lumpur that background of disarray in Malaysia might reconsider its the Cambodia policy of the support of the Khmer Rouge Association of South-East Asian Nations (Asean).

Members were published at the loose coalition of Cambodian expection groups. Members were publicly at dian opposition groups proodds over what to do next in
the political and military
On the face of it such a move

> The day after Dr Maha-thir's remarks General Carlos Romulo, the Foreign Minister of the Philippines, ex-pressed himself "speech-less", and Air Chief Marshal Siddhi Savetsila, the Thai Foreign Minister, called on the Chinese to organize talks between the potential Khmer coalition partners in Peking.

Press freedom

'El País in takeover battle'

From Richard Wigg, Madrid, Feb. 3.

Spain's leading newspapers which has closely tied its fortunes to the survival of te country's new democracy, will visit London tomorrow.

El Pais, now in its sixth year since first appearing within six months of General Franco's death, has become remarkably influential as well as successful. But there is a shadow over its future as a group of right-wing share-holders prepare a takeover bid for this summer. Their target is the editorial inde-pendence of Senor Huan Luis Cebrian and his staff.

On the night of the military coup attempt last February 23, while 350 Spanish MPs and the full Cabinet were still held at gunpoint in the Cortes, El Pais got a special edition on to the streets with banner headlines punning on its name: "The country stands by the constitution viva la constitución.

Rightists, small in number but close to the levers of power and with behind the scenes political influence, have not forgiven the news-paper for that rallying cry to the forces of democracy.

Senor Cebrian told The Times that the secret of his paper's editorial independence has hitherto been the diffusion of its shareholders - 1,200 people ranging from provincial university pro-fessors to several of the leading political figures of and left, but no one with a large packet of shares.

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"A group of highly conservative-minded share-holders now believe El Pais is not responding to what they wanted. Basically the conflict comes from one upholds the newspaper's sector who put money into principle of genuine indepen-the paper and believe they dence by inviting people with

The editor of one of can control the editorial left-of-centre views to conline," Señor Cebrian went tribute.

A senior executive explained he believes that a wealthy Madrid lawyer and businessman, aided by a former deputy editor of the newspaper who left, are behind a secret operation buying up El Pais shares to force a change of its editorial line at the annual share. line at the annual share-holders' meeting in June. This is not an illegal operation but he said that it did contravene El Pais's own

The newspaper's publisher and one of its founders is Señor Joé Ortega, son of the Spanish liberal philosopher, who in the months before



Señor Cebrian: Fortunes tied to Spanish democracy.

General Franco's death, col-lected together shareholders the transition period to lected together shareholders democracy on both the right and a team of young journalists whose average age is still

below 30.

A senior newspaper execu-tive in Madrid commented:

"After they got rid of Señor Suarez [the former Prime Minister the right-wingers' one big foe is El Pais." This year is a crucial one for Spain with the trial of senior army officers accused of involvement in the coup attempt and a keenly con-

general election in sight. Señor Cebrián denies however, a right-wing claim to control 30 per cent of the shares already, maintaining that according to his calculations they muster less than

20 per cent. The real power, he says, lies in the hands of the 21-member board of directors who control 40 per cent of the shares. "But there is no very defined proprietor, no one proprietor for me to telephone, and this gives the people who make the newspaper a power which other-wise perhaps we would not have. In the complicated period facing us perhaps that is what makes the people who have real power, the establishment, seek to con-

Madrid's journalistic community has been hearing rumours that the Government is not unhappy with the takeover going forward. The other day, a close aide of Señor Leopoldo Calvo Sotelo, the Prime Minister, indicated that the Government was 'deeply concerned" over the

threat to El Pais. On the allegation that the of the 26 victims. paper takes a line too much in favour of the Socialists, Senor Cebrian said: "If we can criticize a Centre Democrat Government perhaps it will be easier for us to criticize, as we centainly will, the Socialists if they win



Mubarak pledges peace to Reagan

with pledges to continue Middle East peace efforts and oppose Soviet moves in the area. It was the Egyptian leader's first meeting with Mr Reagan since he came to power last October.

Mr Reagan said the two leaders shared a mutual

"Within the Middle East this same power encourages hatred and confict, hoping to take advantage of instability", Mr Reagan said. "The United States stands firmly with Egypt and other Middle East nations con-

the question of autonomy for Palestinians living in Israeli-

occupied territories.

The two leaders stood side-

Washington, Feb 3.— concern at the expansio of a President Reagan welcomed President Mubarak of Egypt to the White House today with pledges to continue with pledges to continue Within the Middle East lay in settling the question of autonomy for thank you for that reaffirms. thank you for that reaffirma-

The two leaders stood side-by-side while the Marine House was tight with large band played the national numbers of both Egyptian anthem of both countries. and American security per-Heavy rain forced the cer-

Turmoil in El Salvador

Army joins in the propaganda war

From Our Correspondent, San Salvador, Feb 3

Stung by accusations of vided by the Salvadorean holesale slaughter of civ-high command. wholesale slaughter of civ-ilians by its troops, the El Salvador military command has launched a propaganda campaign attributing similar atrocities to its guerrilla

Leading newspapers in San Salvador today carried lurid accounts of a massacre allegedly committed by guer-rillas of the Farabundo Marti Liberation Front at the small town of Nueva Trinidad, some 55 miles north-west of San Salvador, in the conflict-torn province of Chala-The reports, which vari-

ously gave the total civilian death toll as 150 or 400, were attributed to military sources, who were said to have hinted that the guerrillas included "white who spoke with foreign accents".

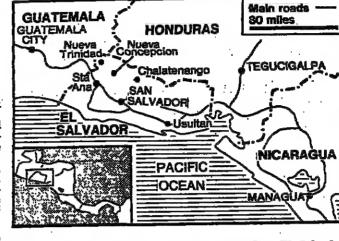
However, the absence of hedical

significant numbers of bodies of the scene at Nueva Trinidad has cast doubt on the version of events pro-

number photographers and cameramen were flown to the scene of the alleged guerrilla massacre. One of them, Sedor Carlos Santamara, a freelance cameraman em-ployed by ABC TV of the United States, said that 16 bodies were on display.

However, 10 of these were members of the local civilian militia, five were civilians and one allegedly a guerrilla. Señor Santamaria said that the local commander showed him a grave which allegedly contained 350 corpses. But he said that, judging from its size, it could not have contained more than 10

The efforts by the Salvado-rean armed forces to tarnish their opponents' image came after the killing of 19 civilians in the course of an army operation on the out-skirts of San Salvador early



last Sunday. There have also been allegations that more than 700 villagers were slaughtered during an operation last December in northern Morazan province, near the frontier with Honduras.

Reports of continuing excesses by Salvadorean forces against the civilian population have provoked angry attacks in the United States Congress against the policies of President Administration, Reagan's Administration, which is seeking a huge increase in military and

economic aid to El Salvador The latest spate of guer-

per- rilla attacks appeared to have in died down in the past 24 nce, hours, after the withdrawal with of an insurgent force which had fought its way into the provincial capital of Usulutan, 60 miles south-east of

San Salvador.
The guerrilla broadcasting station, Radio Venceremos.
has however, warned the civilian population to be prepared for increasing military activity.

Reagan's salvage, page 12

Right-wing crusader stamps the country

From Paul Ellman El Salvador, Feb 3

It is fiesta time in Nueva Concepción, but the political leader the United States would least like to see do well in El Salvador's elections next month has little cheer to offer his audience of straw-batted farmers.

"The choice before us is to bow our heads like slaves, to fight, or to leave our home-land", thunders Major Roberto D'Aubuisson, the Maximo Lider of El Salvador's extreme right. The major has come to this

farming centre, 40 miles north-west of San Salvador, to seek recruits for the crusade which United States officials fear could see his party, the Nationalist Repub-lican Alliance (Arena), cap-ture a significant share of the seats in the voting on March 28 for a Constitutional Assembly.

A strutting 39-year-old, the major's words cut across the tinkle of merriment coming from a fair set up in the main square of Nueva Concepción, a town of unpaved roads where pigs and ox-carts splash through foul-smelling puddles.

Despite the increasingly effective campaign by left-wing guerrillas of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Movement, the major's harshest words are reserved for Christian Democratic politicians who share office with the military in the ruling junta headed by President José Napoleon Duarte.
"Christian Democracy is the same as communism",



Major D'Aubuisson: Getting his message across.

and draws chuckles when he enhancing his image of quips: "They're like water-machismo by allowing his melons — green on the travel plans to be known in outside but red in the middle."

Although Arena formed only last October, it is considered one of the three parties, out of the seven contesting the elec-tions, which stands a chance of emerging with significant support.

Part of its strength is attributed to Major D'Aubuisson himself, the only politician to have taken his campaign to rural areas

Surrounded by guards the same as communism", armed with assault rifles, Major D'Aubuisson declares. He notes that the Christian Democratic colour is green in an armour-plated vehicle,

advance as an invitation to the guerrillas, who have threatened to eliminate him, to attack his entourage. His campaign is backed by

big landowners, members of El Salvador's middle class and, most significantly, by the military. A former member of the

A former member of the National Guard, the paramilitary force modelled on Spain's Civil Guard, which has been held responsible for widespread excesses against Salvadorean civilians, Major D'Aubuisson has, in the past, enjoyed the protection of General José Guillermo Garci, the junta's Miniter of Defence.

"If this country doesn't go communist, it will be a miracle", said Mr Arnold Canton, a businessman who devotes all his free time to campaigning for Arena. "The guerrillas are almost in power and what does the State Department want? Human rights. What rubbish."

son professes to believe in democracy, he has been the community — and it is a accused twice in the past two growing majority — underyears of plotting to over-throw the Government because of its commitment to political and social reforms. Thanks to his links with

the military, he is believed to have attracted the backing of the "death squads," the Rome trained to travel to trav armed groups responsible for conducting a reign of terror in country areas where civilians suspected of sympa-thizing with the guerrillas are murdered regularly as a warning to others.

Officials at the United States Embassy in San Salva-States Embassy in San Salvador make no effort to hide their disquiet that the major may attract sufficient support to be able to demand the removal of Predident Duarte from the junta after the March 28 vote.

Warsaw today in order to be able to present an up-to-date account of the interment situation to the Pope, Rosever, after journalists discovered the planned trip, the episcopate appears to have decided that it would be

The major has vowed that he will not allow the election to result in a "communist constitution" for El Salvador. Apart from that, his policies are summed up under such vague slogans as peace, progress and lib-

However, a member of his entourage in Nueva Concep-ción shed some light on the frantic fears that lie behind the majors campaign.

"If this country doesn't go

Poles admit unrest but deny strikes

From Roger Boyes Warsaw, Feb 3

The Polish Government today admitted that militia and riot police used water hoses and tear gas to disperse 3,000 demonstrators in Gdansk last weekend.
Mr Jerzy Urban, the

Government revealed the details of the demonstration at a news conference during which he denied that there was wide spread unrest in the country as a result of food price Mr Urban's estimate of the

Mr Urban's estimate of the number of demonstrators involved in the Gdansk pretest exceeded even unofficial estimates. He emphasized however, that nobody was killed and he stood by the first official reports that only 14 people had been injured. The militia acted, according to Mr Urban, when the demonstrators tried to persuade workers to lay wreaths at the foot of a cross. at the foot of a cross commemorating the shooting of protesting workers in 1970.

However, the spokesman denied that there had been strikes throughout the counfactory in Warsaw there had been particularly heated "incussions" over the price rises and the need for compenand the need for compen-sation, he said; but did not elaborate. In Wroclaw, there was "a type of a youth demonstration in one of the dormitories of the polytech-nics", the students had sung and shouted anti-state.

and shouted and stage slogaus.
Unofficial reports maintained that Ursus was shout down briefly for "repairs" and that there were go-slows in several factories in Wroclaw and Lodz.

Mr Urban did not volunteer any information about the unrest and all of his facts the unrest and all of his facts were disclosed reluctantly in response to questions. The news conference was techni-

cally dedicated to a report on the state of Polish agriculture. The situation appears to be calm in the capital and the authorities have been confident enough about the mood in Gdansk to organize a trip to the port for foreign correspondents yesterday. However, the return of the students still presents a problem. Talks were school-uled in the Ministry for Higher Education today about whether to start the undergraduate term as

planned tomorrow. According to a student leader, Warsaw university may stagger the beginning of term with political science and journalism students starting only on February 13 to give additional time to the political vetting of lecturers. and reduce the possibility of

staff-student unrest.
Mr Urban conceded that Although Major D'Aubuisthere was some disgrundlement about the food price rises. But "the majorit stands the need for price increases. Unlike 1976, or December 1970, there are no protests or riots — nothing spectacular", he claims.

> Rome tomorrow for takes with the Pope. The talks are intended to deal with the Pope's planned visit to Poland in August and the now inseparable issues of martial law and internment. The Primate hoped to visit

an internment centre outside Warsaw today in order to be better for the Primate to

rest. Paris: The decision of M Claude Cheysson the Foreign Minister, to reserve Mr Jozef Czyrek, the Polish Foreign Minister, at the Oual d'Orsay this afternoon illustrates the differenties the trates the difficulties the Socialist Government faces in its attempts to "moralize French political life (Charles

Hargrove writes).

M Cheysson has laid himself open to sharp criticism not only from the Opposition but also from some left-wing quarters. The fact that his meeting with the representative of the Polish military regime took place in a rather shamefaced. shamefaced, hole in the corner fashion — the pres ence of photographers, apparently, was regarded as "unnecessary" — only makes matters worse.

More than 100 testify in Atlanta murder trial

From Our Own Correspondent, New York, February 3 completed this week.

More than 100 witnesses have testified since the trial opened on December 28, and many have described seeing Mr Williams with at least five

Judge Clarence Cooper has for a sexual act.
allowed the prosecution to introduce evidence relating to 10 other deaths in an Georgia crime attempt to show a pattern of activity involving Mr Williams and several of the victims. Mr Williams who is 23 and

The prosecution case describes himself as a music against Mr Wayne Williams, promoter and freelance charged with killing two of the string of missing and he knew none of the victims murdered young blacks in But some witnesses said he Atlanta, is expected to be attended three of the

The prosecution has attempted to prove that Mr Williams practised homosexuality. A youth of 16 today claimed that he had been offered \$20 (just over £10)

Three serologists from the Georgia crime laboratory testified earlier this week that bloodstains found in Mr Williams's car matched the blood types of two of the

Stiff sentences in US slave case

workers in involuntary a pending case of alleged servitude on a farm in North murder.

Although it is an extreme example, the case has high-lighted the exploitation of migrant workers in the United States. The evidence suggests that tens of thousands of illegal immigrants are being immigrants are being employed for token wages.

sentencing the men in the being compelled to District court at New Bern, North Carolina, that he was imposing stiff penalties as a warning to others. John Harris, aged 39, was jailed for life for what the judge called "strong arm kidnap- months' imprisonment fol-

Three men were sent to jail ping". His criminal record lowed by five years' protoday, one for life, for included possession fo bation on slavery charges. kidnapping and holding explosives, manslaughter and

Dennis Warren, aged 19, and his brother Richard, aged 22, were convicted of recruiting migrant workers from cities along the eastern seaboard and holding them against their will last summer

being at a farm in Nash County,
North Carolina.
One of the men in their Judge Earl Britt said in employ died in the fields sentencing the men in the after being compelled to

From Christopher Thomas, New York, Feb 3

in a less spectreular example of exploitation of migrant workers, dozens of Indonesians have just been Indonesians have just been discovered working in Bever-ly Hills and Los Angeles as servants for wealthy families. The indications are that a highly efficient smuggling operation is under way to get the Indonesians into the country without papers.

A man believed to be linked with the smuggling operations was today ar-rested in Jakarta. He is likely to be charged with reconiting to be charged with recruiting Indonesians to work as indentured servants, according to United States Embassy

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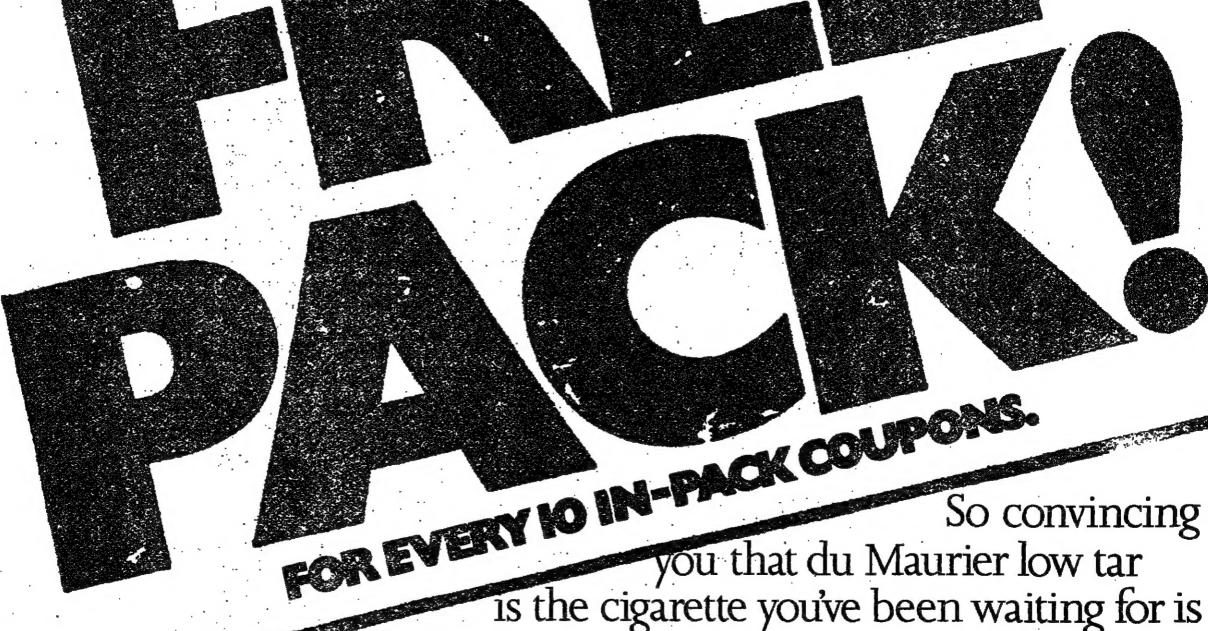
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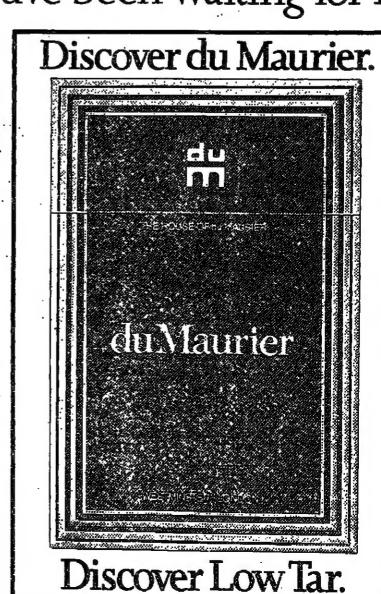
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LOW TAR Manufacturer's estimate

DANGER: H.M. Government Health Departments' WARNING: THINK ABOUT THE HEALTH RISKS BEFORE SMOKING.

Moscow, Feb 3. — Presistage-by-stage reduction that dent Brezhnev today accused the United States of dragging arsenals of both in the next few years by approximately a falls in Communication. its feet at nuclear missile few years by approximately a talks in Geneva and called for third and then going further agreement on a two-thirds ahead". reduction in medium-range nuclear weapons by 1990. The Soviet leader who was

talking to representatives of Socialist International, also firmly rejected Pesidents Reagan's Notion of "linkin_Soviet-American relations, Tass said.

Moscow viewed patient and constructive talks aimed at real reductions in East-West arms levels as the only way to solve world tensions, Mr Brezhnev said.

He suggested that the United States had displayed a different attitude at the

The initial stage of these talks gives rise to a certain wariness because of the obvious reluctance of the American side to look for a basis of a mutually acceptable agreement", he said.

The Geneva negotiations, which started in November, aim at limiting deployment of medium-range missiles in Europe. The United States is calling on Moscow to remove its triple-warhead 5520 missiles and plans to deloy nearly 600 cruise and Pershing2 missiles of its own from next year if no agreement is

Both sides agreed to strict Both sides agreed to strict situations and disputed prob-seggrators. Mr Brezhnev's lems in the world cannot be negotiatons. Mr Brezhnev's remarks today, indicating sovered impatience with their progress, was the first substantial comment on them progress, was the first sub-stantial comment on them from either Washington or

The Soviet President renewed earlier calls for a moratorium on further miss-ile deployment and for an agreement reducing missile stocks by hundreds of units. But for the first time he outlined in public a possible timetable for these cuts.

"It would be possible, for instance, to cut by 1998 the present amount of mediumrange nuclear armaments by each side to one-third or even

The President said "the two sides could agree to a

Western diplomats said the

had already been made in private by Soviet officials in talks with United States officials. They said Mr Brezhnev's comments did not contain any substantially new proposals because he based his calls for sharp reductions in arms on the premise that there was a balance of power between East and West.

both sides have about 1,000 medium-range nuclear missile carriers. It includes British and French missiles and United States forward-based systems in its calculated West dangerously exposed.

"Diplomacy requires de-nouements and not linkages", he was quoted as saying
"The tangled knot of conflict

ensuring a real reduction and destruction of arms".

The remarks came at a meeting with leaders of the Socialist International's council on disarmament at the Kremlin. The group included Mr Kalevi Sorsa, chairman of Finland's Social Democratic Party, and Mr Democratic Party, and Mr Walter Hacker, a senior official in the Austrian

Socialist Party.
Socialist International,
which comprises more than
50 socialist and social democratic parties, has been trying to find ways of facilitating East-West agreements on arms cuts.



Modernize army, China told

Peking.— General Yang Dezhi, Chief of Staff of China's four-million-strong armed forces, said they could not engage an enemy in modern warfare unless organization and discipline were improved. According to China Daily. an official newspaper, he declared: "We are faced with a highly modernized and well trained, powerful enemy. To deal with such an enemy we need not only high morale but also expertise in using modern

'If we fail to upgrade the organization and discipline of the armed forces," he said, "We would not be able to engage an enemy in modern warfare and might have to pay a higher price in the event of an emergency".

The report did not identify

the enemy, but China regularly remarks on the pres-ence of a million Soviet troops along its borders and accuses Moscow of seeking to subjugate China.

Egyptian border stays closed

Cairo. — Egypt has said that its border with Libya will remain closed, despite recent signs that both countries were easing restric-

tions.

The Egyptian Foreign Ministry had said the border, closed for the past three years, was being opened for authorized groups of Egyptians working in Libya to return home for holidays. But a Cabinet spokesman later said "the border was only opened briefly to allow 27 teachers and their families to cross because of their to cross because of their special circumstances".

Gambians given death sentence

Banjul. - Six Gambians have been sentenced to death for their part in an attempted coup last July. The judge took 10 hours and 25 minutes to read a 400-page judgment condemning the men variously for murder, treason, felony, waging war and planning to depose and kill President Sir Dawda Jawara. Seven people were sen-tenced to death in December for their part in the failed Marxist takeover. Two others have been acquitted.

Kosovo jailings

Belgrade. — More than 280 people have been jailed for their part in violent Albanian nationalist riots in which at least nine people were killed in the southern Yugoslav province of Kosovo last spring, Mr Mehmet Malici, he Provincial Interior Minis-

proposal of a two-thirds cut

The Soviet Union says that based systems in its calcu-lations. The American side rejects this argument and says a build-up of more than 150 SS20 missiles in the past few years has given Moscow an advantage and left the

Mr Brozhnev rejected out-right Mr Reagan's demands that arms questions be linked with Moscow's behaviour generally in foreign affairs and that the Kremlin agree to show restraint in its dealings with Third World states.

Force-feeding

threatened

Miss Lida Vashchenko,

who ended a month-long hunger strike after

being taken to hospital

at the weekend. She has

claimed that she cut

short her protest after being threatened with

In a letter to her

family living in the American Embassy in

Moscow, Miss Vash-

chenko, aged 30, quoted

a Soviet doctor at the

Botkin Hospital, Mos-

cow as telling her on

Sunday evening: "If you don't eat, we will feed you with a tube

down your throat. We

don't want to, but we

wrote that she had suffered a high fever and became delirious

for a short time on

Sunday. "Now", her letter went on, "my health is getting better

because I am eating. I

think soom I will be before the KGB. It will be in their hands when

I can stand firmly on my two feet".

Dr John Schadler, the

doctor at the Embassy, and a consular officer visited Miss Vash-chenko in the gastro-intestinal unit of the

hospital for 30 minutes

The Attorney General of Zimbabwe has been asked to resign his post to make way

for a black man, Mr Robert

Mugabe, The Prime Minister,

confirmed today.

Asked at a press con-

ference why Br Brendan

Treacy, who is 57, was being

replaced, Mr Mugabe said it

was part of a programmme of Africanizing crucial posts.

Mr Treacy has been Attor-ney General since 1975 and

was responsible for the

decision in 1980 to prosecute

Mr Edgar Tekere, former Minister of Manpower and secretary-general of the rul-

ing Zanu (PF) party, on a charge of murdering a white

Vashchenko

force-feeding.

Miss

wife had been taken to hospital in a coma, according to Prince Alexander, von Auersperg, aged 22, a Brown University student. "My sister asked my stepfather about rumours she had heard about him having affairs with other women," Prince von Auersperg said.
"My stepfather said that after my younger sister was born my mother was unable to have sex and he looked towards other women,

Asked by Mr Stephen Famiglietti, the prosecutor, whether a name was men tioned, the Prince replied: "Yes, Alexandra Isles."

M Georges Marchais, the General

Secretary of the French Commu-

Secretary of the French Communist Party, addressing the opening session of the party's congress in Paris yesterday. Judging by the loudness of the applause that greeted him, his position is still unchallenged (Charles Hargrove writes from Paris). The general line of the five-day congress is more one of continuity than of charge despite the unprecedented

change, despite the unprecedented

democratic debate in party cells and branches throughout the coun-

try which has preceded it in the

M Marchais insisted that the responsibility for the party's set-

back at the polls last summer when

it lost a quarter of its voters, was "collective". Nor could it be pinned on "the leaders and the .

Von Bulow

'confessed

Newport, Rhode Island,

Feb.—Claus, von Bulow once confesed he was having an

affair with another woman, his stepson testified today at Mr von Bulow's trial on

charges of trying to murder

his wife. The confession came in the

library of Mr von Bulow's Manhattan flat in January, 1981, about a month after his

to affair'

past three months.

According to court documents, Mr von Bulow and Miss Isles, a New York holiday together in the Baha-mas within two months after Mrs Martha "Sunny" von Bulow fell into what doctors have called an irreversible Bulow fell into what doctors something new to arrive at a have called an irreversible comma on December 21, finding guidelines and in his

Mr von Bulow faces two counts of assault with intent to murder his wife with injections of insulin during Christmas visits to her mansion in 1979 and 1980.

The court began hearing Mr von Bulow faces two

The court began hearing evidence yesterday after prosecution accusations that the Danish-born financies was a fortune hunter with an eye on his wife's estate.

Yesterday, Prince von Auersperg recalled a conver-sation with his mother during the Thanksgiving weekend of 1980, a month before she became ill, in which she said she considered divorcing Mr von Bulow.

"My mother said she wanted a divorce", he said.
"I asked her why, and she said it was something so horrible she didn't want to tell me. I asked her again and she said it was too horrible to

Prince von Auersperg was expected to continue on the witness stand today for more questioning by the prosecution and the first cross-examination by Mr cross-examination by Herald Fahringer, for defence.—AP

£5m art robbery

Barcelona. — Police here are holding a Belgian accused of stealing art works worth about £5m from Spanish churches and monasteries. Most of the stolen objects were recovered.

Zimbabwe law chief told to quit

senior members of the Treacy. national army — a lieutenant - Mr

From Stephen Taylor, Salisbury, Feb 3

in Salisbury.

Mr Mugabe said that the government had been pursuing a policy of African advancement, but had generally

ally waited for posts to fall vacant through resignation before installing blacks in

At the same time, "struc-tural appointments" were

them.

Marchais stays in driving seat militants who have preceded us". It was, he stressed, a consequence of the fact that the French Communist Party "remains the prisoner of a socialist model unadapted to our country and our age". By concluding the common programme with the Socialists in 1972, the party had also "placed itself in a position of weakness" towards both them and the right.

The party was still committed, he added, to "Socialism a la Française", in line with the conclusions of its twenty-second and twenty-third congresses. That means there will be no break with the past, and the party will continue to advocate a policy based on social justice and economic growth, with private ownership and small enterprises functioning

The Great

From Ian Murray

Brussels, Feb 3

Hopes of agreeing broad

France, however, has in-creasingly taken the line that

it is impossible to negotiate in the abstract and that there

has to be a real knowledge of

how much the deal will cost each country before agree-

current President of the Council of Ministers, said this week that he had to "try

discreet contacts with other

Britain's only real ally in

looking for a "guideline" solution is West Germany and it is no coincidence that

these are the only two countries which by any

scenario would be net payers

into the community. At the same time the resigned British acceptance that it will

have to play the numbers game is evident from the

release of Whitehall calcu-lations this week of the

extent of British payments if

According to these figures
Britain would have to pay in
£1.140m more than it received and West Germany
£1.040m. All the others would

be net beneficiaries. Italy

would receive £539m, Ireland £393m, Greece £337m, Bel-gium £269m, Denmark £202m, Luxembourg £178m, Holland £176m and France

There are no official fig-

ures for this and each country has been doing its

into a net contributor.

Justice and it had been decided to replace Mr

Mr Treacy declined to

The post is entrenched by the

constitution and he can be

removed only for pro-fessional misconduct or

incompetence agreed by a judicial tribunal.

☐ Mr Treacy, later told Reuters that he would be

leaving the country. He said: "I have been asked to leave.

No reason was given".

£59m.

Last month, Mr Treacy being made in the Ministry of announced that he was Justice and it had been bringing charges against two decided to replace Mr

general and a brigadier — discuss the matter other than over incidents involving a to confirm that he had been

team of white bowlers who asked to resign.
claimed that they were har-

assed and detained after a cause the Government con-

match at a military barracks siderable embarrassment.

there is no budget deal.

ment can be possible.

Mr Leo Tindemans,

British

pay-out

alongside an enlarged public sec-

tor. He went on to emphasize the importance of democratic change in such a socialist society, and of individual and collective freedoms to which Communists are indefectibly attached". He also recalled his party's "condemnation without

the communists.

"alternative of the left".

can convince their partners to accept Signor Craxi as a

new Premier until the next

elections.
But if their ambitions

were to suffer a severe repulse by the Christian Democrats they might threaten to choose an "alternative of the left"

strategy. The fact that they have more than one choice

may strengthen towards the Christian Democrats.

But the DC has already

shown in the past its

appeal of Stalinism".

M Marchais gave the Government good marks for "moving in the right direction", though serious problems remained. Criticism of its actions will be left to

other speakers.

There was no question of France surrendering its nuclear forces unilaterally, he emphasized. As a member of the Atlantic alliance, France should carry out its com-

Jeering fails to disturb Mauroy's optimism

From Charles Hargrove, Evreux, Feb 3

guidelines for Britain's budgetary contribution to the EEC have virtually been abandoned. Initial soundings by the European Commission and the Belgian Presidency about a solution to the problem have shown that only by discussing real figures is there any chance of success. to power; it ended in a more sober mood amid growing discontent, and demon-strations against his Govern-

In Rouen, earlier yester-day, 5,000 shopkeepers and artisans. Kept by riot police on the far bank of the Seine Throughout the negotiations on the issue so far Britain has been insisting that the proper procedure is to agree on the principles by which budget contributions should be calculated and that, after this has been done, the details of financial mechanisms can be worked from the prefecture where M Mauroy shouted speaking,

Corneille.

M Pierre Mauroy, the Prime Minister, chose upper Normandy and this small town, hard hit by recession for the last lap of his "Tour de France for employment", as he calls it, which began in October. It opened in the euphoria of the "pink wave" which carried the Socialists to nower it ended in a more

"They should welcome her with flowers instead," M Mauroy declared in Rouen, for she is battling for them in Brussels against the British, the Germans and the Dutch." None of this seems to

undermine the Prime Minister's optimism, his fondness for personal contacts with unflattering but everyone, supporters and slogans, as they opponents alike.
in the city of "We live in a country where dialogue and consul-

The farmers, who had also tation remain too rare", he prepared a warm welcome for said in Evreux,

The bitter open quarrel and the lengthy recriminations which are being exchanged between the Italian and Soviet Communist Parties blackmail. Communist min (Unita's first answer's to isters should be less objectionable today, both inside and outside Italy, than they Pravada's attack will be soon followed by others). raise the question of what will be the political strategy, and influence, of the PCI — the biggest Communist Party outside the Soviet Block — both in Italy and in the wide world, now that it is free from its Soviet sins. were in the past.

Arrigo Levi: A Personal View

Italian Communists

find their feet

Anyway, a triangular situation (Britain might come to face it in the near future) lends itself to any number of potential combinations. This will not inc is free from its Soviet ties. is free from its Soviet ties.

In Italy, Signor Enrico
Berlinguer's party is already "back in business' as
a moving element of Italy's
fragmented political scene.
It has started a strong
"disturbing action" against
Comrade Bettino Craxi's
Socialist Party by insisting
that a new "alternative of
the left" has now become
possible: this hinders Signations. This will not increase Italy's governmental stability, which is bad. But the inevitable changes in the strategies and images of all political parties could reduce the large existing psychological gap between public opinion and the politicians, and this would be good for Italian democracy. LICA. possible: this hinders Sig-

nor Craxi's strategy, aiming at taking the leadership of a centre-left block excluding Outside Italy, what is going to happen? Two points must be borne in mind. The first one is that the PCI will continue acting Signor Berlinguer could do nothing different right now: he could not go back to a "historical compromise" with the Christian as a Communist Party. This is its only chance, if it wants to have real influence in those areas — Western Communism, the non-aligned countries, the world Democrats just when he is leading the party in a bitter fight with the Soviet Union, left — which it has chosen as its operating ground. The which disturbs a large number of his nore trasecond point is that the PCI ditional supporters, For the time being he is bound to try to translate his elusive formula of the "third way" into a more acceptable will have an extremely active "foreign policy". Its "internationalist" vocation is a genuine one.

Of course the PCI will not be able to create serious anternative of the left, so the future rules of the political game in Italy are still to be written. We witness the problems for Soviet power inside the Soviet block, at a inside the Soviet block, at a time of severe repression. But it will go on embodying a dangerous ideological political alternative as long beginning of a "triangular system", where each of the as it continues being "a Communist Party", which is what it wants to be. The Kremlin leaders may reach three main blocks (the Christian Democrats, the Communists, the Socialist-"Liberal" Alliance) will play with a number of possible combinations and formulas. the conclusion that a proper excommunication of the PCI is advisable in order to. reduce its negative influ-The socialists being the ence. But Moscow's excomcentral-party in this system, they should have the widest munications today carry a doubtful weight. they should have the widest choice. For the moment they will insist on their strategy of a centre-left coalition, hoping that they

Outside Moscow's reach, behind the protective shield of the Atlantic alliance, Signor Berlinguer's unusual Communist Party will in any case continue creating difficulties for Soviet sims in the wide world. But it will not be an easy partner in the Western community, and it will also hinder Atlantic strategy in many

From now on, the PCI will do both things more vigorously than ever before. © Times Newspapers Ltd, 1982



Generation game: Two of the 600 participants of the ninth open tournament at the Guy Mocquet lycee in Aubervilliers, near Paris, demonstrating their different approaches to chess. Local club members and international masters compete for the 24,000 francs (£2,120) first prize.

ALGIERS GAS SECURED BY FRANCE

Paris, Feb. 3

An agreement was signed in Algiers today on inreased deliveries of Algerian gas to France. M Claude Cheysson, the Foreign Minister, said it was "not a mere commercial contract, but a fundamenta agreement on coodevelopment".

M Pierre Beregovoy, the Secretary-General of the Elysee Palace, said St demonstrates the dear mination of Paris to contribute to the valorization of the natural resources of developing countries in act cordance with the South dialogue".

South dialogue".

The agreement was preceded by two years of difficult negotiations

In the end, the French Government has agreed to pay a "political" price for the gas, although this is not admitted officially. Nor has the price been disclosed. But it is reliably believed to be about \$5.20 (£2.73) a million British Thermal Units compared with the current price paid by the French gas board of \$3.70 and it is about 20 per of \$3.70 and it is about 20 per cent more than the price agreed in the Siberian gas contract signed last month

Propaganda in Soviet Union Sociology fills the KGB gap

From Michael Binyon, Moscow

own calculations along its own calculations along less than objective lines. Never-theless the British figures are probably in line with what would be the eventual totals and they show that, significantly, it would not take a very large adjustment in payments to turn France One of the most notori-ously freewheeling Soviet republics has set up a sociology centre to spearhead a campaign against old tra-ditions local nationalism and in payments to turn France from being a net beneficiary entrenched bourgeois atti-

The centre in Tbilisi, the capital of Georgia, is also charged with sampling public opinion and telling the Communist Party what the average citizen thinks and wants. Public opinion, ignored by a generation of Soviet leaders, is increasingly making itself felt in all aspects of Soviet life, and the authorities are eager to use and direct this powerful potential to enforce the party line where exhortation and propaganda have failed.

As even President Brezhnev has recognized, party leaders find themselves dangerously out of touch with the views of the masses. There is virtually no debate typical: it has been charged at party and meetings, the Soviet citizen meetings, the Soviet citizen has long grown used to modern security sexpressing only the opinions lavish weddings and funerals, he thinks the authorities manifestations of private enterprise, nationalism, drunkenness and the macho at party and trade union meetings, the Soviet citizen

leadership receives about the real state of the nation. This gap is now being filled

with sociology, but with a very different framework from its Western counterpart. The main task of Soviet sociologists is to conduct opinion surveys — in factories, schools among youth groups, pensioners and other designated social groups. The results are sent to

factory directors, city authorities and, especially, to local party committees to be used as a basis for decisionmaking. A second task, however, is

to mould public opinion and see how it can be used to back the party line. The Thilisi centre, with six "laboratories" concentrating on different aspects of life, is with eradicating Georgian customs unacceptable to the

destruction. In Georgia this is particu-

larly important, as is publicly admitted, because of the "shortcomings" of the previous party leadership, swept away not long ago in a massive purge that revealed widespread corruption at the highest levels.

highest levels.

"Sociology is a political and party science", Dr Taimuraz Jafarli, the centre's director, said in a recent interview with Sovietskaya Rossiya. He said the links with the party apparatus not only gave the party firmly-grounded evidence for its work, but endowed sociologists themselves with a special significance dynamics.

mous surveys — what people really wanted. But the main discuss, is that such surveys evidence.

the KGB, the security police, are almost the only steady find out their extent and then circumscribed: they cannot plot a strategy for their ask open-ended questions destructions. that could produce results incompatible with communist

> But, he said, the distillation of public opinion was essential if the party were to rekindle enthusiasm and noitiative and motivate people to work harder — tasks Mr Brezhnev said were urgent at last year's party congress.

Sociological surveys have produced striking results in individual instances; on the other hand, the surveys are often ignored.

The main aim of Soviet sociology, on which great hopes are now officially placed, is the nurturing of special significance, dynamism and political awareness.

He admitted that sociology could never come up with absolute answers, and was sometimes wrong. He spoke absolute answers, and was sometimes wrong. He spoke of the difficulties of finding out — even through anonymous surveys — what people mous surveys — what people is simply to issue orders, which is simply to issue orders. And centres such as the one difficulty, which he did not in Tbilisi must provide the

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Thurber's-eye view of the world Prisoner of the SLA: Scott Fitzgerald: record of Jottings from a slim postbag

Selected Letters of James Thurber

Edited by Helen Thurber and Edward Weeks (Hamish Hamilton, £8.95)

James Thurber's widow and an old friend have put together 260-odd pages of letters, selected, as the jacket puts it, from a "mass of correspondence". If Thurber was, as is suggested, a voluminous correspondent, the selection must have been very rigorous. The letters of his friend E. B. White, happily still going strong, which were published a few years ago, weigh in at just under 700 pages. Those of Edmund Wilson on politics and literature alone fill more than 740. What is more the White and Wilson collections are closely printed, where the Thurber has great extravagant expanses of empty paper and, in themselves welcome, many of his draw-This is, in fact, pretty

much a matter of fragrant moments in James Thurber's postbag. Since he was a careful and gifted writer, although a slow and infarcted one, there is naturally enjoy-ment to be found. Some of that enjoyment is memorial, an awakening in the mind of past pleasures, above all of seeing such things as the Dr Millmoss-containing hippo-potamus again. Some comes from turns of phrase. Such as "Yesterday was hot and muggy, like a fifteen year old Pekinese". Or, inspured by Laurence Olivier's different rendering of the line "she should have died hereafter". The Thurber version of this line gives it an impatient note and I think that I am on sound ground here not only as a student of Macheth hut as a husband of

many years' experience. My feeling is that Macbeth had plenty on his hands the way it was . . . feeling is that Macbeth had plenty on his hands the way it was ...

These things are pleasant enough but do not call for any prominent position in place living with a sister. any prominent position in one's cabinet of memories. The editors have ruled out any quasi-biographical service the book might have performed by what they euphoniously describe as their "departure from the iron grip of chronology".

One is inclined to reply that one man's iron grip is another man's abdominal support. No very useful alternative value is realised



by grouping together letters to particular correspondents. Few of the people Thurber wrote to get many letters here. Among the few who do, E. B. White and his wife have their letters divided into two chunks.

Good letters, letters worth reading by people unacquainted with writer or addressee, should have some substance, ideally news, however small, interspersed with character sketches. White is himself excellent at this. Thurber could have picked up some hints from White's to him of January 8, 1938, which covers a mass of personal ground that has some public interest and closes with a chilling account of the last years of Don Marquis, creator of archy,

The crucial difference is that White is interested in the world around him; Thurber is concerned only with him-self, and the world enters in

interest in how he reacts to it and should represent it. There is very little to be learnt here about Thurber's life or his world. Dinner with

largely as an object of his

such things as the arrangement of the chapters in a book he is writing or about the stinginess of *The New Yorker* under Ross to its contributors is there anything much to bite on. The picture his biographers so far have painted of Thurber is none too engaging. Here things have been much cleaned up. There is a little reference to drinking, noth-

ing about the pursuit of women. There is one good political sentence on McCarthy: "I wait for the moment when he will make a slip of the tongue and call Eisen-hower 'Hindenburg'."

The editors admit to some correction of the text in the

interests of tidiness. A cham-pagne misspelling has eluded them; Pol Roget makes one think in compensation of Roger's Thesaurus (a com-Roger's Thesaurus (a compendium of rude words, perhaps). One literary-historical point gets through. T. S. Eliot, delighted to be let off "fancy food with sauce and wine", lunches most rationally off two martinis, scrambled eggs and bacon and then chocolate ice cream.

poor little rich girl

Every Secret Thing By Patricia Campbell Hearst

(Methuen, £8.95) It is not, alas, given to all of us. by the time we reach our mid-thirties, to have grown up in one of the world's richest families, to have been kidnapped by revolutionaries, joined their cause, robbed banks at gunpoint, spent two years on the run, been caught, convicted and sentenced, then spent two years in jail before receiving a free pardon from the President of the United States.

the United States.

Even fewer of us, I suspect, would subsequently have made a complete recovery, married our bodyguard, started a family, written a lucrative bestseller about it all, and lived happily ever after.

It is quite a tale Patty Hearst has to tell. With the help of one Alvin Moscow, she does so absorbingly. But the trouble with this hefty tome is that it is probably the only account we will ever have of all this, and it is hers. What a shame, one keeps reflecting that the Symbio-nese Liberation Army did not abduct a moral philosopher.
Contemporary liberal

Contemporary liberal America tends to sneer at Miss Hearst's bard-won renown, and and to scoff at her many and various self-defences. Her supposed brainwashing by the SLA is called into question. As is her argument, fundamental to her ordeal, that being who she is, the daughter of one of those families decreed by conspiracy theorists to run the United States, only made

her fate more wretched. Not merely did it make her captors more vicious, she suggests, mixing random sexual and psychological abuse in among her impressively successful guerrilla training. It later made judgest in the successful guerrilla training. es, intent on conspicuous even-handedness, err on the side of harshness. It made her, in short, one of the classic victims of our (their ?) crazed contempor-

My sympathies, I must confess, lie rather with Miss Hearst. Let him or her content to undergo a similar ordeal cast the first stone. It hen chocolate ice cream.

Anthony Quinton

is an extraordinary twist at the end of this latter-day parable that she received a

ary society.

sterner jail sentence than any of her co-revolutionaries, who were not even tried for anything so severe as armed robbery (let alone kidnap-ping). The fact that she was coerced into taking part, whatever the objective evi-

dence, if anything told against her.

Her chronicle, it is true, gets off to a bad start. In describing her life at the time she was abducted, and the slightly risque life she was living at Berkeley University in the company of one Steven Weed, her prose style is reminiscent of another poor little rich girl, Gloria Vander-

much as her prose style (or Mr Moscow's) undergo a those of Dr Eckleberg over-distinct improvement. The bulk of the book is a fascinating account of daily life in the company of a tells us, at the outset of his cache of homicidal maniacs, masquerading to themselves as much as anyone else as committed revolutionaries. That her father's famous food distribution programme ever took place in response to their demands now seems the height of absurdity.

But they were in earnest. The way Patty paints her constant and only companions of those two years, they might have killed her on any of a hundred daily whims. Yet when presented with several chances to escape, leaving them to an ugly fate, she chose rather to aid their safe getaway. This is what the large as much as is what the law, as much as this reader, found hard to swallow.

When should natural in-stincts of self-preservation bow to broader social responsibilities? Should a contemporary democracy have written off the hapless Hearst before being offered a chance to absolve her guilt? The central moral dilemmas of this book remain quite unexplored—and unresolved--despite its powers of persuasion that any one of us, in Patty Hearst's position, might have found ourselves robbing banks, blasting away at innocent bystanders and then dividing the spoils with

the best of them.

the author as a professional

Some Sort of Epic Grandeur

The Life of F. Scott Fitzgerald By Matthew J. Bruccoli

(Hodder & Stoughton, £14.95)

Not the sort of epic you might expect, old sport. The Drunken Novelist. The Autodestruct Artist. The Jazz Age Flame. The Depression Dreamer. The Last Romantic. The Writer Who Ate his Wife.
The Exile of Hollywood, The
Great American Crack-Up.
Icarus Vicarious, No, none of bilt: "Living together was a very in' thing to do in those days, rather like roller disco is today."

Once bound, gagged and blindfold in a revolutionary closer, however, her values as with lowering spectacles like those of Dr Eckleberg over-

Actually his title does not come, as you might suppose, from The Great Gatsby (1925) or even Tender is the Night (1934), but from one of Fitzgerald's superbly lucid letters to his daughter Scottie, looking back at his own life and craft two years tone for the whole investi-gation. "I am not a great man, but sometimes I think the impersonal and objective quality of my talent and the sacrifices of it, in pieces, to preserve its essential value bas some sort of epic grandeur". It is these "im-personal and objective" qual-ities that Bruccoli is after through 600 pages and a rapt unflagging, attention to the creative and transforming literary process at work.

The backbone of his biography (and it does have a curiously boney, skeletal feel) is Fitzgerald's conversion, observed in minute bibliographic detail, of lived experience into literary pro-duction. "My material", as Fitzgerald called it, resulting in some 160 short stories: a Anthony Holden in some 160 short stories; a host of autobiographic



Zelda and Scottie and Fitz

essays, articles, and selfinterviews; numerous bad movie scripts (including some lines in Gone With the Wind), and five extraordinary novels of self-projection, of which perhaps three are modern classics - characteristically flawed or unfinished yet unforgettable. In particular, Bruccoli follows through, with brilliant effect,

the planning and early com-position stages of Tender and The Last Tycoon (posthum-ous, 1941), and shows Fitzgerald working doggedly, almost relentlessly, through the wreckage of his life with Zelda. The overall impact of the book is to reverse many of

one's preconceptions about

Fitzgerald. The glitter of the Twenties, for example, comes

to seem far less significant for his inner development as a writer than the bitter gloom of the Thirties. Many critics have examined what destroyed the marriage with Zelda (notably Nancy Mitford, 1970); but Bruccoli also shows what held it together, in imaginative terms, even after they were physically parted. He shows how Zelda provided his work with so many "premonitions", and how their "marathon talks"

- or arguments - formed an amazingly enduring basis for their lives. "I have often thought," wrote Fitzgerald, "that those long conversations we used to have late at night, that began at midnight and lasted till we could see the first light of dawn that scared us into sleep, were something essential in our relations, a sort of closeness that we never achieved in the workaday world of marriage."

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Similarly, in the last Holly. wood years, instead of emphasizing the pale, burnt on Firzgerald of legend, Bruccoli shows the incorrigible ironis of the "Pat Hobby" stories (17 of them), the scriptwriter who earned 58 thousand dollars in one year, and the figure of "unassuming dig-nity" who was discovered by the young novelist Anthony Powell sitting quietly in a corner of the MGM canteen. It's a grandeur that Jay Gatsby might not have recog-nised. But for anyone who knows remotely what Fitzge raid meant by, "all good writing is swimming under water and holding your breath" — it's epic all right.

Richard Holmes

Jimjokery for James Joyce's centenary

For those of us, this side of takes its title from Finnegans body: interestingly focussed bardolatry, who have long *Wake* and the four wise on the male, some readers shared James Joyce's guardians / watchdogs / may think that his' suspicion that he was percommentators / apostles for preoccupation with Shem in
haps the second greatest whom "he was ever their Finnegans Wake in relation
writer to have used the quarrel, the way they would to the celebrating Shaun, and
English language, February see themselves." The four at the expense of the massive 2nd has always been a day principal essays are revealing physical celebration of the for celebration. This year, enough: but only Professor body in all its aspects in however, it marks the Hugh Kenner offers any Ulysses, is an arse-upwards favour of, say, Maria or centenary of his birth and we considerable illumination view. may allow ourselves an extra about glass of whiskey and another biscuit from the silver barrel. "modernism". Fritz Stenn is (Wolfhound, £9) is entirely It is perhaps surprising that out to prove a theory: "The admirable. With evident pleathere have not been more Principle of the Disrupted sure and dedication, these biscuit from the silver barrel. books published to honour

busy.
The least pleasing is the most obviously erudite -- at least in intention. A Star- concentrates on Joyce's close perception of their criticism chamber Quiry (Methuen, £8) absorption with the human will shed new sunlight on

Joyce, and his particular approach to "modernism". Fritz Stenn is

his The Joycean Way by Bruce to Bidwell and Linda Heffer Pattern". His essay is compli-two unpretentious writers the occasion in view of the vast industry that has grown around the work of a man who always supposed he would keep a few professors busy.

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The least pleasing is the supposed of the cated, intricate, far from have confined themselves to be a topographical guide to seems quite often wilfully to buildings and A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man." trailing thread. E. L. Epstein, photographs and diligent the editor of the book, research are not enough, the concentrates on Joyce's close perception of their criticism

corners and byways of Dub-lin for even the most earnest surrogate citizens. They have adopted a helpful, pattern for dealing with Dubliners and comment on the characters in passing with compassion-Eveline, are tempered by some whispers of understanding for Farrington, Tom Kernan and the Two Gallants. Perhaps the authors underline too heavily Joyce's eastward longing for release: but not for anyone who understands a desire for

exile. Less serious enthusiasts ho welcome enthusiasm will find James Joyce's Odyssey (Hodder & Stoughton, £8.95) by Frank Delaney vastly entertaining

High mistress of the explaining business the facts and atmosphere recorded that a fellow hack second section she presents a speak for themselves and for stayed on the train in order wide selection of the fruits of

Practicing History

needed for the former with the eagle's eye needed by the latter. Who did both well? H. G. Wells? Old Winston Churchill, would you say? In our either bald or unconvincing.

seneration Barbara Tuchman As historian she manages is the only one I can think of who manages to straddle both inky arts and perform superbly well in each. Her latest book, A Distant Mirror, that haunting recreation of the calamitous fourteenth

By Barbara Tuchman speak for themselves and for the past. This collection of (Macmillan, £9.95)

Not many of us are able serve both Clio, Muse of history, and Ephemeris, Muse of journalism. Journalism is a kind of living history. But only very rare chimeras combine the worm's even the specific corresponding to the c detail intended to give artistic verisimilitude to an otherwise bald and unconvincing narrative. Not that her narrative is As historian she manages

to get in at last that the Kaiser's birthday present to his wife was the same every year: 12 hats selected by himself which she was obliged to wear. That detail is worth a whole book about the Kaiser, or even about Ger-Stuart Evans

century, simply confirmed Kaiser, or even about Gerber place as our finest many. As reporter on the narrative historian, who lets campaign trail with FDR she

that the enthusiasm of the crowd might not colour his story. He explained: "When you're a New Dealer writing Henry Kissinger's own ver-for a Republican paper, you sion of his pretensions and for a Republican paper, you have to be as objective as hell."

discusses the craft of writing history. "I do not invent anything, even the weather." She distrusts systematizers. and that is a different human beings in their diver-profession. But there is no sity explain for the such thing as a new to the such that is a property of purely objective historian. Without an opinion a historian would be simply a ticking clock, and unreadable besides. Tuchman is a humanist who believes that humans are illogical. In the

marvellous pieces about Israel to a demolition job on influence as Secretary of State. In the last section she

The book is divided into considers whether we can three parts. In the first she learn from history, and concludes that to manage better next time is within our means: to anticipate does not seem to be. From Watergate to Woodrow Wilson, Tuchoccasionally heroic things they do. It is enough to make those of us engaged in the lower reaches of the explain-

Philip Howard

REMEMBER EVERYONE -TE WE PARLE PAS

English spoken here!

The Times Educational Supplement on February 5 carries eight pages on the present state of modern language teaching.

TES reporter Bob Doe assesses the hopes of using computers in language teaching and asks if this is going to be a re-run of the language laboratory fiasco. Michael Buckby writes on the reform of

modern language exams, now at a critical stage, and Eric Hawkins suggests that too many cooks have got the recipe wrong. Modern languages have been one of the great disaster areas in British education. Can we go on like this?

Also - Changing Schools - report and winning entries in the TESS competition.

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Poetry

Tony Harrison is a poet. He is also, so it appears, something of a one-man industry. Now 44 years old, and engaged on a sonnet-sequence in roughly Meredithian form, he is at the height of his powers, pouring out poems and translations, and finding publishers for all this idiosyncratic and (occasionally) magnificent work. We have grown so used to the Larkin Syndrome — whereby a poet publishes a slim volume perhaps once in a decade, as if to prove the worth and difficulty of open-

ing his mouth at all — that his mouth at all — that Mr Harrison's energy makes him look alarming. Yet the flux of his production is at one with the fury of its content. I take off my sceptical reviewer's hat to him, convinced that I am in the presence of the real side. the presence of the real right thing.

First, his version of The Oresteia of Aeschylus, first performed at the National Theatre last November, and now offered in book form by Rex Collings Ltd (£3.50). This is vivid, gutsy, and aggluti-native. I take the last adjective from Ezra Pound, who used it to define the special qualities of the original (Literary Essays of Ezra Pound, page 273), while bewailing the fact that a search for Aeschylus in English is "deadly, accursed, mind-rending". Mr Harrison does not mess about. He goes straight for the original glue, and renders it in a sort of sticky, eccentric, slang-inspired English. Orestes instructs Pylades to "keep out of eye shor"; the Chorus turns to Cassandra and mocks her mocks her "painpangs and griefsongs" with the nasty retort, "Don't understand". retort, "Don't understand". To which, Cassandra, only doing her job after all: Off with the brideveil then. Look into truth's pupils The truthgust. It's rising. Blowing

I don't much care 'woe-wave'' (sounds H. Auden), but this is to pick holes in a translation which holes in a translation which undoubtedly makes Aeschylus alive again. As the Chorus grudgingly admits to Cassandra: "It's as if you'd witnessed all you're describing." Mr Harrison has grasped and rendered the very essence of Greek drama: that it takes place without that it takes place without ceasing in a theatre of the human soul. More, he has found contemporary English words and idiomatic rhythms to match it. A remarkable achievement. I reckon Pound might have approved.

His U.S. Martial (Bloodaxe Books, PO Box 15N, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE99 1SN, £1) is slighter, but still extremely lively and impressive. Here are 18 translations from poems by Marcus Valerius Martialis, made in March last year while Mr Harrison was staying in New York. The best are obscene and truthful enough to be unquotable. All of them find a happy medium between Martial's epigrammatic dis-gust with the social and sexual life of Rome round about the time of Christ, and Mr Harrison's feelings about his predicament on Broadway last year. Witnesses number XVI, entitled "The Joys of Separation", which can be quoted in full:

She wants more and more and more new men in her.
finally finishes Anna
Karenina.

And lest this suggests that Tony Harrison is only a kind of Woody Allen of modern English poetry, have a look at his exquisite A Kumquat for John Keats (Bloodaxe Books, 75p). A kumquat is a Chinese orange, gold in colour, with sweet pulp and sour skin, or perhaps the reverse, sweet outside and sour within. . . Mr Harrison plays deliciously on the

sweeping sea-ripples into dawn's For however many kumquais that molten cauldron, I eat then building a woe-wave as big I'm not sure if it's flesh or rind man of doubt at life's "woe-wave" (sounds like mid-way Gilbert Murray glued to W. 1'd offer Keats some kumquats and I'd say: You'll find that one part's sweet and one part's tart:

re the sweetness or the

This single poem should be

sufficient to convince any fair-minded reader that Tony Harrison's is a most considerable talent. It has much to say about Keats, about poetry, about life's brevity, about its compensations (which may well include brevity and Keats), and about the fruit which can also be spelt cumquats. It deserves to be preserved in many antho-logies. And at the same time it has to be observed that Mr Harrison is such a restless and original poet that if he goes on at this rate he will prove to be an anthologist's nightmare. Good.

Selected Poems of Alun Lewis (Unwin Paperbacks, £2.50), selected by Jeremy Hooker and Gweno Lewis, presents in the chronological order of their writing the best poems of one of the best poets killed in the Second World War. Lewis has always had his admirers, but he has tended to be regarded as somewhat School of Graves (for no substantial stylistic reason, but because Graves reason, but because Graves — who never met him helped to select and then introduced a posthumous volume of his work). He may now be seen as a decent, unpretentious, persistently serious writer, deeply con-cerned with what he perceived to be "the single poetic theme of Life and Death". Less literary than Sidney Keyes, more accomplished than Keith Douglas, his death (which seems to have been accidental) deprived English poetry of a potentially important voice. Not Just a War Poet. A poet.

Robert Nye

Fiction

The Book of Laughter and **Forgetting** By Milan Kundera (Faber, £7.95)

The Love Hunter By Jon Hassler (Weidenfeld & Nicolson,

Max Brod called Prague the city of evil, and no-one knows its ambiguities better than Kundera. Neither laughter nor forgetting are en-tirely innocent there. You can be airbrushed out of history, like the unfortunate Clementis, who lent his fur hat to the Leader on a snowy balcony in 1948 at a moment of victory, and lost his own head four years later. It is a wry joke that the stairs leading up to that balcony must have once been climbed every day by the schoolboy feet of Franz Kafka.

Prague is a city of many ghosts, not all of them powerful. Kundera concerns himself most with those whose memories have already Accordingly all the stories trouble as he is, cannot help marriage which is entirely keeping notes on everyday events, even though he knows they may well bring friends into danger. Kundera absurdities of sexual encoun-

ber that his first mistress was notably ugly.

When Kundera appears briefly on the pages of his own novel it is to fill in a few relevant historical details, and to point a finger at Eluard dancing elegantly in the circles of a Prague celebration the day after one of his girlfriends had been hanged by the regime for treason.

Skovorecky, a fellow Czech exile, declared jazz holy, because Nazism and Stalinism abhorred it equally. Kundera adds a footnote to the observation. One of the most telling anecdotes in the book concerns Husak's letter oleading with the Czech popsinger Karel Gott to return singer warel Gott to return from West Germany. Scholars, writers, and filmmakers the regime could spare, but a special letter followed the pop star. Pop music is power without danger. Unlike Jazz, pop music accommodates. It is useful. It is essentially music minus memory. And the bitter laughter that rises from that story takes on uneasy echoes of its own in a

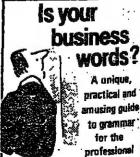
Jon Hassier, comes garlanded with awards and fellowships, and his new novel is written with considerable elegance: but it is a chilling tale. If someone with Multiple Sclerosis is still fit enough to take off on a begun to fade: those in duck shooting trip, it's hard emigration, for instance, or those who lost their jobs plan as a loving act, after the Russian invasion. especially when the friend in question fancies his wife. linked in this novel concern Still, there are memorable an obsession with records: descriptions of hiding and an obsession with records: descriptions of hiding and recovering love letters; family pitfalls from a first

Western context.

understands the passion, and Mazes and Monsters by the comedy of what can't be Rona Jaffe (Hodder & changed, and exactly how Stoughton, £6.95) makes politics link themselves to fewer claims, and for any parents who have watched ters, so that the same Mirek their own young spend finds it unbearable to remem- weekends in combat

imaginary monsters, with "Dungeons and Dragons" Rulebook in their hand, the threat of fantasy taking over altogether will not seem implausible. Accordingly, the book has a genuine anxious thrust of suspense, and most readers will enjoy Miss Jaffe's account of the multiplicity of ways Americans attempt to make a happy marriage permanently screw up their children's chances of living in the real In The Bass Saxophone

world. Evidently, that is one game in which nobody wins. Elaine Feinstein



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The passions of Rostropovich

The National Symphony Orchestra of Washington today embarks on a three-week tour of Europe, its first under the impassioned leadership of Mstislav Rostropovich. He is filled with enthusiasm as he discusses the hectic schedule of the orchestra and its current repertory of works, but becomes sombre as he talks of his late friends, Dmitri Shostakovich and Benjamin Britten. Both had Benjamin Britten. Both had

Benjamin Britten. Both had agreed to write new works for the National Symphony but were unable to fulfil their promises.

Rostropovich's face brightens, however, when he is asked about the orchestra's visit to London on February 20. "I so like Great Britain, so like the music there, I ask my dear friend Sir William Walton to write something for us". he says. The commissioned Walton to write something for us", he says. The commissioned piece was to have been performed earlier in the season in Washington, but Walton was not completely happy with the work and the premiere had to be postponed. The final pages of the manuscript are to be sent to Zurich for a two-week reheavest period prior to the week rehearsal period prior to the orchestra's arrival in London. "I am very proud that the orchestra will premiere the piece in London, just before Sir William's eightieth birthday", says Rostropovich.

In addition to the Walton, the orchestra will give Beethoven's eighth symphony and Shostako-vich's fifth. The Shostakovich is particularly dear to Rostropo-vich's heart. His friendship with the composer is well-known and, when Rostropovich left the Soviet

that he stated it as his personal mission to make the music of Shostakovich and Prokoftev—
"my friends and teachers"—

"my friends and teachers" —
more widely appreciated.

"When Shostakovich wrote his
fifth symphony, he was very
young", says Rostropovich. "It
came just after his crash with
catastrophe — when Stalin denounced him for his opera Lady
Macbeth of Misensk. Shostakovich, who was in the middle of
rehearsals for his fourth symphony, withdrew it, and this
symphony was not played for 35
years." His next symphony, the years." His next symphony, the fifth, written after a two-year period of great suffering and emotional turmoil, was, Rostropovich says, Shostakovich's defence of his own human worth.

of his own human worth.

"He had to write, of necessity, a symphony that had two faces. After the premiere of the symphony, in October 1937, all the official faces, the bureacrats in the Soviet Union, praised it, because they wanted to show Shostakovich that they had taught him to compose, and even taught him a lesson personally. His answer to their criticism was this symphony in D major, and its major tonality made our governmajor tonality made our govern-ment happy. But for other reasons also they couldn't not praise it, because, even though it was not too complicated, it is a work of such genius and had such a success with the public.

"I wasn't at the performance, being only 11 years old at the



time, but people tell me there were ovations lasting maybe an hour. And why? Because it was such a powerful message to his well-wishers who had feared that the critical assault might have destroyed him: 'I'm not dead, I'm still a composer. And still a great

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composer!'
"I tell you," says Rostropovich, leaning forward in his chair, passion in his voice, "this symphony has two faces. One for the officials who are very happy about the fanfare for the finale, the incredibly loud sound and rich orchestration. But for me, a friend of Shostakovich, that D major is as if your arm is being the finale of the finale and took in the thinker solver. Does he feel Shostakovich would have approved of the recent defections of his son and grand-son to the West? "Absolutely! Absolutely sure. I don't doubt it for a second", he replies, and

twisted behind you and there is a knife at your back, and the attacker is telling you 'Smile.' That D major is Shostakovich's smile. For me it is also like a scream of defiance. Each stroke of the note A on the timpani conveys this strength. It is like hitting a nail on the head. Some conductors have a tendency to play this finale a little bit quickly, but I don't think this is possible, and I do it much slower.

adds, after a moment's pause: "I think that this was his influence from the other world."

A deeply religious man, Rostro-povich has travelled widely, and he expresses affection for all the cities where he has spent some time. "I know all the good places in each city, all the restaurants", he says, smiling broadly. When asked if there is any place outside Russia he considers home, he thinks for a moment and then replies: "It's very difficult to say. Here there is no monastery, but where there's a monastery there's no orchestra, so each place where I am adds a little bit of happiness

"Through sound it is possible to express your disappointment, or your hopelessness, or the opposite, the happy moments . .

Inevitably Rostropovich dreams of one day returning to Russia, but he emphasizes that he would never go back under any kind of compromise. He knows that were he now to return to the Soviet Union he would never again be allowed to leave. Of this theoretiallowed to leave. Of this theoretical situation Rostropovich says: "I would die of loneliness, because now, without this kind of life, without my friends, without freedom, it would be just impossible. This is another reason why I understand how much the people who are locked up are missing. What a crime it is, for instance, that a person of such talent as the pianist Andrei Gavrilov, who won first prize at the Tchaikovsky Competition, is not allowed to perform in the West. Years go by and he is not enriched, and of and he is not enriched, and of course when he loses all of Russia

For all Rostropovich's very real concern with human rights, it is his orchestra that at the moment keeps him most occupied. He says it is his aim that it should be as responsive as the human body. "It should have the ability to make a variety of different sounds, because for me sounds not only sound as sound but can be used to explain your soul, your feelings. Through sound it is possible to your disappointment, or your hopelessness, or the opposite, the happy moments. That's why I love working with an orchestra."

Patricia Barnes

Paperbacks

Forster's passage to Egypt at last

Alexandria, by E. M. Forster (Michael Haag, £5.95, hard-back £8.95)

Over the centuries certain water cities become liquid history. Beloved Venice is one. London on Thames is another. Alexandria is twice as old as either of them, the prototype cosmopolis, haunting and haunted open city for writers in exile from Theocritus to Larry Durrell.

This book has a curious history. Forster wrote it while he was stationed in Alex as a Red Cross volunteer during the first war, and Passage to India. He set out Alexandria during the 23 centuries of her existence after the fashion of a son et lumière pageant. His short history and guide brings back to life the immense ghost city that lies behind the shabby little Mediterranean port, re-peopling it with its extra-ordinary procession of personages from all over the old worlds who have found a sort of home in Alexandria. By the accidents and incompetence of the publishing trade, his book is published now, 65 years after it was written, for the first time in Britain by a new travel The history in the first half

is a model of popularization without elitist talking down. It gives Forster a chance to parade his contempt for the Christian and the theological, and his love for the Hellenis-tic and the humanistic. He is particularly sharp about the Alexandrian mystics. A couple of pages on Plotinus show the same creative insight into mystical thought that you find in A Passage to

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The second part arranges tours of points of interest m an attractive and efficient way, though Forster himself said rightly that the best way said rightly that the best way to see a city is to walk about quite aimlessly. The guide is out of date. The foreigners and metics of Alexandria have gone. The cafes retain their immortal names (Pastroudis, Baudrot...), but are dead. The great barbour is a mere cemetery. Cavafy's books and furniture have been housed in a little museum at the top of the Greek Consulate. But Alexandria lives, even for armachair travellers of the imagination, in a book like this. Ibn Dukmak got it right: "If Ibn Dukmak got it right: "If a man make a pilgrimage round Alexandria in the morning, God will make for him a golden crown, set with pearls, perfumed with musk and camphor, and shining from the East to the West."

Philip Howard

Aspects of Alice, Lewis Carroll's Dreamchild as seen through the Critics' Looking-Glasses 1865-1971, edited by Robert Phillips (Penguin, £2.95)

To Robert Graves, Alice is that prime mover of our nation." This personal collection gathers the most interesting interpretations of her trips to Wonderland and Through the Looking-Glass, which have trips invited comparison with Wordsworth, Henry James and T. S. Eliot, and provoked a wealth of different responses. Many are as pedantic as the stiff and priggish mathematician, Charles mathematician, Charles Dodgson; many, including essays by Auden, Woolf and Priestley, as diverting as the tales he told extempore to the

of Christ Church's

daughter.
The trouble with most of them is that, being too specialist for works pertain-ing directly to childhood experience, they are shaped on the Nonsense principles of that world. It is as if Humpty Dumpty and the Caterpillar have reverted to the dyspeptic dons on which they are modelled, able not only to explain all the poems that were ever invented but a good many that have not been.

Dodgson said of Alice in Wonderland that "the why of this book cannot, and need not, be put into words". He would, I imagine, turn in his rabbit-hole to discover himself the victim of an unre-solved Oedipal fixation, who wrote stories under the influence of LSD about a girl who is the symbolic equation for the phallus and whose adventures are determined by his own desire for "complete virility". In fact, as one critic contends, he would have left the writing of them to Mark

Twain.
As Alice says, "it's really dreadful the way all the creatures argue. It's enough to drive me crazy." In the end she is sharper and wittier than the majority of her critics, and if she disappears under their mass of psycho-babble at least, like the Cheshire Cat, she leaves her grin behind.

Nicholas Shakespeare

Life Before Man, by Margaret Atwood (Virago Modern Classics, £2.95)

There is a good passage in Margaret Atwood's Life Before Man when Elizabeth, world-weary heroine, sits by her door as neighbouring children, dressed "in the shapes of their own desires or their parents' fears" Frankenstein or rats pass by to gather their Halloween treats. It is cold. She is bored and full of memories. Batmen and Chinamen come and go. Voices in the street pipe out "Shell out. Shell out. The witches are out".

The scene is unusually brief in a long fragmented.

lyrical in a long, fragmented novel, made up of alternating chapters seen from the point of view of the three main characters, switching time and tense. Life Before Man is a modern saga, the daily life of a bunch of well-educated, middle-class, middle-aged Canadians whose jobs and lives merge — the Royal Ontario Museum and its dinosaurs looms large — who brood on the chain of events that brought them to where they are (nowhere good) and make decisions that invariably lead to greater, rather bloodless muddle. Their lives are seedy, no more so than those of other more so than those of other middle-aged, middle-class, educated people in other countries, but definitely, in the words of Lesje (pronounced "Lashia"), "tacky".

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ever, a tacky novelist, but an even and highly intelligent writer, though I find her sometimes without bumour. She has a fine ear for words and a quick wit for absurdities; and she is very good indeed on the accommodations that go into people's lives, their pacts with memory, the terrible torture they inflict when arch other they inflict upon each other and the terrible guilt they go through when they think

Caroline Moorehead Ursula.

An exciting new musical seascape

the place in Morecambe RLPO/Williams Philharmonic Hall,

Liverpool/Radio 3 Edward Cowie lives at Morecambe (where I spent many a boyhood day on the inclement winter shore), and was born in Suffolk just when Britten was composing Peter Grimes. His newest composition is, at last, a seascape. It is called Concerto for Orchestra, subtitled "Studies in the Movement of Water", and really it is the overture to a brand-new Flying Dutchman.

Howard Williams on Tues-Edward Cowie lives at More-

day conducted its first boat, like a fire hose or a tap performance by the Royal in full flood, the thunder Liverpool Philharmonic cracks.

Orchestra in their own hall.

The wind and rain abate

Lindsay Quartet

where three rivers flow into the Irish Sea. He must have blown up his observations. His concerto makes perfect sense otherwise, if you know the Suffolk coast and the Irish Sea in what we have now to call Cumbris.

Howard Williams on Tues- shore. The storm sprays the

It was broadcast live so, faute ever and anon, only to de Asief, I gladly listened at return. Your clothes, the home. The sound-quality of sails, the lines, the woodthe broadcast was magnificantly work, all are drenched cently vivid and robust, Sometimes the rain abates, thanks to Radio 3, the orchestral playing masterful you dry in time. Sometimes and vibrant.

Cowie admits only that he broads benignly over the found his musical material at scene.

There is a hint of cosiness below decks. But always the storm is resumed, the shrouds thwack together, the shrouds thwack together, the vessel rolls fearsomely: this is not music for the seasick-prone. At the end the rain has dropped, the wind blows free, the steely skipper has won, and the voyage con-We begin in a substantial won, and the voyage con-boat on the beach, the rocks tinues after the music has splashed by boisterous come to a halt. come to a halt. What a thrilling piece, even

Concerts

if one interprets the contents otherwise. Like the sea, onshore or afloat, Cowie's music is never quite the same; the next challenge is always a contrast. The inspiration is natural, the effect

William Manu

just with ideas but with or easily accomplished. And, "characters" changing in just when fascination various situations. And, threatens to wane, the work though I doubt that the is brought to its climax with dramatic metaphor is much more useful in definition than the words "sonata form", certainly the person-ages of Maconchy's eleventh quartet are sharply differen-tiated and their reactions strongly argued enough for this performance to recall the work vividly to my mind after a gap of several years since my only other hearing

Casken's quartet will be much tougher to remember. It embodies a profusion of original ideas, caught and surpassed with reckless speed, and, while Casken knows how to score a unison E flat so that it sounds fresh and interesting, he can also In terse programme notes stretches attention but never their single-movement quartet, partly the single-movement quartet, partly because agreed they were dealing not single-move dealing not single-movement and agreed they were dealing not single-movement and nothing in it is stale single-movement their single-movement quartet, partly because almost nothing in it is stale single-movement and orderliness this composer happily finds in the medium.

Paul Griffithe

an increasing density of memories of itself, then stifled as it tries to begin for

the third time.

Proving that they thrive on challenge, the Lindsay Quartet followed their glowing première of the Casken with a lustrously sung and danced performance of Tippett's first quartet, prefaced by the Adagio opening movement which was dropped in revision and has not been heard for more than 40 years. Undoubtedly the quartet is the better without it, though it would be a shame to lose again a piece so strangely gloomy and convoluted yet recognizably Tippett's and of the Thursen.

If the success of the present International London Mime Festival can be measured by audiences, then it is clearly a fine success. Not all the venues have been prepared for the demand: the Shaw Theatre stopped taking tele-

Henze première The London première of Henze's Double Concerto for

oboe, harp and strings is to be given in the Queen Elizabeth Hall on Sunday by David Thomas and Clifford Lanraff with the YMSO Chamber Orchestra conducted by James Blair. The soloists, both former members of the YMSO, are respectively co-principal oboe in the BBC Symphony Orchestra and harpist of the South German Radio Orchestra. The work was written in 1966 for the oboist Heinz Holliger and his harpist wife

phone bookings for the splendid clown Dimitri apparently because people wanted to make bookings, no doubt a surprise to the box office staff. At the ICA the crowning performance from the Czech clown Boleslav Polivka is considerably better organized and it will be just as difficult to get a ticket.

Mr Polivka's show, named

after a chicken who holds clucking conversations with the clown, has achieved great advance popularity. Like many of the performers in the festival, he escapes the old image of white-faced romantic longing and endless flights of invisible stairs by interjecting speech and demonstrating skills that are more circus than esoteric, more popular than elite.

He has a particular skill that would be hard to match, and it has nothing to do with his apparently lax command of juggling and other physical achievements. He tells the story of a tramp who appears with a guitar and a chicken as his only friends, who then meets a child in a pram. He

Our Betters

Playhouse, Nottingham

With a title like that, contempt goes without saying, and the main interest of Somerset Maugham's 1915 comedy lies in observing which of his title-hunting American heiresses and for-tune-hunting British aristos

In The Summing Up Maugham likened his plays of this period to those of the Restoration, which goes to confirm my view that play-wrights are seldom to be wrights are seldom to be trusted as guides to their own work. If, as he advised, you look at Our Betters as a conversation piece, you can only be struck by the banality of the conversation. The occasional phrase leaps out — "She has been my best friend for years... she has not one redeeming feature" — but for the most part the early scenes are a desert of feeble banter at the expense of the characters An American survive is the characters and get on in the world this is the way to do it. of the characters. An American innocent finds herself in Julian Jones, Barbara Jefford: gigolo and commanding hostess in "Our Betters"

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Luc on or the Angio-American cure of Kichard Digby Day's can aristocracy, and there is revival is the gradual energence of Barbara Jefford's as little interest in the question of whether young Bessie will succumb to an interest in the gradual energy and there is revival is the gradual energy energy as little interest in the gradual energy energy energy as little interest in the gradual energy energy energy of the gradual energy en the den of the Anglo-Ameri-

> comical wailing coaxes responses from the unseen infant and finally makes contact when a childish hand reaches out to light his cigarette. His own dishevelled appearance is in rich contrast to the neatly turnedout child, but in the course of 80 minutes he and the child establish bonds of affection that are tangibly represented by entertaining action.

His talent is to lead a child, either Damian Weber or Loic Jacquot-Guillarmod, through the entire performance by his own clowning so that the child seems to live his moments on stage. Society at large, or something more threatening, is represented by searchlights and amplified noises, and the relationship is destroyed when the child dies through what is prob-ably unfounded trust in life. It is inventive and entertaining, with gas masks that serve as musical instruments and portable showers, and an astringent sense of humour

English milord as in the exposure of the bored, querulous ladies who have made it into Debrett from Middle Western bardware

The comedy comes to life precisely where it abandons conversation for action in the second act. The company are in the midst of a country house party when their hostess, Pearl, is discovered in amorous dalliance with her best friend's girole. best friend's gigolo. Not much of a situation, you may think; but from it there develops one of Maugham's highly-charged double devel-opments, one public and one personal.

The public story shows virtue triumphing through Bessie's decision to renounce is the way to do it.

The most interesting feature of Richard Digby Day's

to distinguish her from Phyllis Calvert's gigolo-

fancying Dooshesse, Muriel Barker's charity-fixated Prin-cess, and her other vacant-minded cronies. After the miniature scandal, Maugham gives her a fine scene in which she woos back the members of her outraged party. It is no small scandal to her: her profession as a society hostess depends on it. And Miss Jefford rises to the challenge in a series of contrasted seductions windacknowledgement that the English only tolerate her because they love getting free entertainment.
Visually, the most arrest-

ing feature of the show is the decline of Miss Calvert into a pathetic figure in a French revolutionary hat clasping a revolutionary hat clasping a dancing master in a lumbering tango: an image that evokes Pope's Witches' Sabbath, "A youth of frolics, an old age of cards". There are also well-focused satellite performances from Peter Laird as the complete Anglo-American snob, Julian Jones as the petulant gigolo, reserving his few smiles for the promise of the next ruinously expensive present, and Richard Mayes as Pearl's booming sugar daddy. booming sugar daddy.
Trevor Pitt's sets are not

quite to Maugham's demand for Bakst-like splendour, but his costumes are stunning.

Swing Era stompers by the

yard, but turns them into platforms for thoughtful,

Irving Wardle

Jazz

Flip Phillips The Canteen

concise improvisations which The first days of his season bear comparison with late at Covent Garden's newest Lester Young in their glancjazz bar have already proved ing, epigrammatic quality. Flip Phillips to be a far and in their flow across the subtler tenor saxophonist chorus lines. His tone is not than his reputation — which large, but has a sculptured for most listeners rests on quality containing the merest his membership of the hint of febrility; it was heard Woody Herman band in the to best effect on a perfectly middle 1940s and his sub flighted reading of "Em-sequent appearances with braceable You", wherein Jazz at the Philharmonic densely detailed runs were troupe — would suggest.
With Jazz at the Phil, troupe — would suggest.

With Jazz at the Phil, logic (and, on one occasion, Phillips's party piece was an extended solo on "Perdido" scooped note a la Johnny rivalling Illinois Jacquet for Hodges).

Even the flag-wavers bear crowd-pleasing scream-'n'. Even the flag-wavers bear holler freneticism. Little of evidence of meticulous care: this is evident at the Canteen, the exchanges of four-bar where he reveals himself in phrases and Weston's neatly his natural state as a soloist deployed bass breaks turn instruments of considerable ingenuity.

Accompanied by Eddie number into a piece of firmly the most apparently casual numbers.

Ned Chaillet

Instruments of considerable ingenuity.

Accompanied by Eddie number into a piece of firmly founded architecture.

Weston (bass) and Ronnie Verrell (drums), he delivers

Richard Williams

Television

Ring of untruth

Four-hour drama slots with automatic repeats and the money for large casts and lavish location work are not exactly plentiful these days, and it is a great pity that the exactly plentiful these days, and it is a great pity that the BBC's latest should have been squandered on something as mincingly Bloomsburyish as The Bell (BBC 2). No lover of Iris Murdoch's prose fictions, I did not expect to be ravished by Reg Gadney's dramatization, but neither did I anticipate the sheer silliness of what came out of the tube.

For this is not a work of

out of the tube.

For this is not a work of literary 'refinement or psychological subtlety. The lines are so mangled that the actors have difficulty speaking them; the characters are crudely and implausibly drawn. A couple like the Greenfields would never have married; a dolt like Dora would need the charm and allure of a Marilyn Monroe to send the chaos over like to send the chaps over like ninepins as she does. Rural England may indeed be studded with communities of harmless wierdos, but they are not, like these are, made two-dimensionally out of cardboard.

At the opposite pole from Stella Gibbons's Cold Comfort Farm, and lacking Ivy Compton Burnett's ironic detach-ment, the Murdoch/Gadney approach is essentially a cosy one. Behind the whimsical, affectionate mockery lies a solemn acceptance of their bloodless world of nuns and eunuchs; they revel in that world even as, with painful contrivance, they blow it apart. They revel in its clonking symbolism (did you notice, incidentally, how at moments the two-ton bells became light as feathers?) and they revel in its ghastly gentility. Last night, as a change from Dora, we got a bare-breasted nun, and pent-up homosexual Nick shot himself. Missed again: real life is neither so pallid nor so

lurid.

Chronicle (BBC 2) was entitled "Ancient Mariners" and hailed from somewhere across the Atlantic. Like most bought-in documentaries it had blemishes which home-grown products have mostly eliminated: crude artists' impressions of Greek slaves at work, faintly hilarious interviews and wooden pieces of commentary. One heavy academic lady spoke of "wood-intensive" methods of boatbuilding, and described a "vicious circle situation" (à propos wars and the demand for ships) with fitting circumlocution. What the programme had

to say was interesting. I could now give a very competent lesson to a class tory of Mediterranean ship-building techniques and I as would make sure they fol-lowed the example of the same American Institute of Nautical Archaeology and made is scale-models of the work of those brilliant early sculptors ;

Michael Church ■ The Portage to San Cristo-

bal of A.H. opens at the Mermaid Theatre on February 17. It was incorrectly stated in our recent interview with John Dexter, the play's director, that the original novel by George Steiner is unavailable in Israel. It is on sale there sale there.

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Can Reagan salvage El Salvador?

El Salvador has been in the There are obvious differ- been under strong American but there was no doubt of the revolution, with the decision of the thing, no American combat Reagan administration to troops are engaged in El ship \$55m in emergency Salvador; and it seems un-military equipment and the likely given the outcry it prospect that it will ask would cause, that Washing-Congress for a further ton would follow the path increase in military and taken in Vietnam and expand economic aid.

To send this aid, President with the Salvadorean army to Reagan had to certify that a fighting force. the Salvadorean regime was improving its human rights record; he has been challenged in Congress on this, and on his policy towards El Salvador in general.

Until only a few years ego El Salvador was a little reported backwater, known if at all for its exports of coffee and its repressive military governments. Like the other small countries that are strung along the Central American isthmus, it had a reputation for violence, matching the volcanoes that cover the region, but what happened there was not felt to matter a great deal to the rest of the world.

Now, however, events have thrust the country into the headlines, to the point that it is being asked whether it is becoming a "second Vietnam". The implication is that the United States is again involving itself in guerrilla war in a tropical country which will damage its standing abroad and cause dissen-

ences from Vietnam. For one the handful of advisers now

But there are worrying parallels. The principal one is that the United States, in the cause of anti-communism and in ignorance of local circumitself to a repressive regime with only a tenuous hold on the country. This provides abundant propaganda material for America's critics abroad — balancing criticism of the Soviet Union over Afghanistan and Poland — and there is the danger that in the end the effort may prove to be futile.

There is also another significant difference from Vietnam. Whereas South-east Asia is far from the United States and from areas of vital interest to it, Central America is on its doorstep. That means that the policy choices are that much more critical.

El Salvador has to be seen, in fact, not so much for its own sake as for its place in bean. It is one of a number of maintaining a mixed econ-small countries which have omy and political pluralism,

mined to resist social change. Washington.

That was the case of Cuba until 1959; and the revolution there, followed by Castro's alignment with the Soviet Union, came as a shock to the United States. It was seen, not so much as the reaction of a small country which was resentful of domi-

> The American policy of simply backing the Salvadorean regime and refusing to envisage negotiations between the regime and the opposition is clearly inadequate

powerful neighbour, but a an intrusion of Soviet influence into the Americas. Cuba was followed 20 years

later by Nicaragua. President Anastasio Somoza, the last of a dynasty which had ruled the country for more than 40 years and which had always had close relations with Washington, was overthrown by the Sandinistas and their the proader context of Cenallies. The new regime there tral America and the Caribbean. It is one of a number of maintaining a mixed countries which the caribban and their proclaimed its intention of small countries which

the manpower reduction

be run at a profit, and Mr

Howell's intention is to

support rural and commuter

them to be properly main-mained — once he is satisfied

that they are being operated in the most economical way.

see more investment in rail'

though the extra cash must be generated internally, or

from the private sector. This

sounds fine, but the 1982-83 cash limit is £950m — only 3

per cent more than 1981-82,

despite 12 per cent inflation. Unless this limit is eased, rail

investment will virtually

If there were no medium-

term prospect of cutting BR's costs or raising revenue, the outlook would be

and revenue that could have

TOTAL EXPENDITURE

BY USERS £17.3 billion

Mr Howell "would like to

lines at a level that will allow

been under strong American but there was no doubt of the revolution, there was a influence for many years and cordial relations it had with military coup in El Salvador which have often had re-

only the first of a new row of dominoes. Next in line would be El Salvador, to be followed by Guatemala and a moderate regime which possibly Honduras. In other would take the steam out of words, a block of small leftist pressures from the extreme regimes would be created, all left. of them linked to Cuba.

instability in Mexico, a giant up their repression, commit-compared to any of them, but ting atrocities against people one with feet of clay because only suspected of sympathy of its own social inequalities, with the guerrillas. And the tiny islands of the result is that, instead of calm Caribbean could also be at and reform, the country is risk, as was shown by now being torn apart by a Grenada's alignment with virtual civil war.

A decision was taken, therefore, to draw the line in El Salvador. The decision was taken by the Carter administration, which had seen the Somoza regime in Nicaragua collapse in a surprisingly short time. It was upheld and publicized by the Reagan administration, with its particular sensitivity to anything that looked like a challenge from Cuba or the Soviet Union.

The trouble is that the plans made in 1979 have not camps, worked out. A few months It is understandable that after the

pressive governments, deter- set alarm bells ringing in officers came to power. They outlined a series of reforms The fear was, and is, that they brought in civilian Nicaragua would prove to be politicians, some of them left of centre, and they appeared Washington's prescription of

> They were opposed from To the south, they could the start, however, by the present a threat to Panama extreme left; and they proved and its canal. To the north, incapable of controlling the they might even cause armed forces, which stepped

> > President Duarte is Christian Democrat with good democratic credentials. His government has begun to carry out some reforms -the redistribution of land, for

regime is responsible for a chilling series of atrocities. And it has been unable to defeat the guerrillas, who control parts of the country and have begun to show good public relations sense in admitting reporters to their

Nicaraguan the Americans should be rean regime and refusing to



Troops trained by American advisers occupy a Salvadorean village: is the United States committing itself again?

concerned about developments in Central America. There is a strong Marxist element in the regime in Nicaragua; and so there is among the guerrillas in El Salvador, though they are more divided than the Nicaraguan Sandinistas. There is room for doubt about how much Cuba is actually helping the guerrillas, but there can be no doubt about its sympathy with their aims.

But the American policy of simply backing the Salvado-

between the regime and the opposition is clearly inadequate. The notion that the and regime's standing will be enhanced by the elections due next month is misguided because it would be imposs-ible to hold fair elections in. present circumstances. And have chosen. But the time is there is little sympathy for past when Washington can American policies, either in dictate what happens there. Latin America or western and it has to adapt to

The solution can only be by bringing what leverage Washington has — and in the

case of El Salvador in is considerable - to moderate the policies of repression; and by working for an accommodation between the regime and its critics. It will not be easy or quick, and the outcome may not be quite what the United States would changed circumstances.

Peter Strafford

How the railways can survive

As London's struggle to work by bus, tube, car or bicycle for the eighth time, the rest of Britain must be baffled by all the fuss; most people would as soon think of going to work by balloon as catching a train. As for industry, only coal and steel are feeling the pinch. With under-used lorries moving swiftly to fill the gap, the main problem is

Nursed on a diet of pro-rail propaganda from his employer and union, the average railwayman perceives Britain's 11,000 miles of steel tracks as veins through which the nation's life-blood

The truth is very different. Rail's 7 per cent share of passenger kilometres is swamped by private cars moving 10 times as much traffic, while freight has sagged to only 16 per cent of tonne-kilometres hauled by road and rail. Even these sorry statistics conceal the Most governments value full extent of rail's retreat. In the contribution rail can sorry statistics conceal the terms of what the customer is prepared to pay for his transport, the railways now collect less than 4 per cent of collect less than 4 per cent of tion on the roads and so the £17,000m a year spent on forth — but none of these moving freight. Small wonder laudable objectives

the taxoaver £1,000m, for the £920m external finance limit set by the Government will certainly be breached. This is 40 per cent of turnover - a better result than most European railways achieve — but cash limits have only been met in the past five years by deferring maintenance and renewals.

Before such matters as electrification can be tackled 800 miles of track overdue for replacement must be attended to. Indeed, it is reckoned that 3,000 miles of track will be closed as unsafe by 1990 if spending continues at current levels.

It is no secret that some members of the Government are fed up with what White-hail calls the "Railway Prob-lem". If the idea of paving over tracks to make roads is dismissed as simplistic Britain has already closed 13,000 miles of railway, of which less than 100 miles have actually been exploited in this way — those who

by Richard Hope

Editor of Railway Gazette

advocate a Final Solution get Cabinet colleagues less-a sympathetic hearing. Cabinet colleagues less-favourably disposed towards a sympathetic hearing. favourably disposed towards
Yet our railways do not BR have been impressed by lack supporters. In October Sunday Times of plans to close up to half the post-Beeching network caused a storm within the Conservative Party. Until the present already been prepared showing how Inter-city trains can be run at a profit, and Mr 1972 the disclosure in The achieved last year. Secretary of State for Transport, David Howell, replaced Norman Fowler in last autumn's Cabinet reshuffle, no passenger railway of consequence had been approved for closure in nine

Mr Howell quickly approved closures of two lines in Scotland, but confirmed to me this week (if with rather less vehemence ment's desire to avoid "substantial" cuts in BR's net-

make to saving energy and oil through electrification, reducing injury and conges-CBI spokesman dis- achieved by a railway which that a CBI spokesman dismissed the current dispute as a "non-event".

In the year ending March 31, 1982, British Rail will cost is now the only major completely at weekends. This country in the world moving would drop BR into a black less freight by rail than at hole of dwindling services any time in this century.

Mr Howell admits to Trea- only one logical end: disintesury reluctance to put more gration of the national rail public money into BR, but network into a tatty service insists that even those of his for commuters into London

and a few isolated lines connecting coal mines with power stations.

If the board gets its productivity package, how-ever, and draws Aslef's fangs in the process, there is one area where the extra cash needed for electrification and other investment might be

The great opportunity lies in freight. Paradoxically, it is BR's dismal market share that points the way, because it provides generous scope for growth if the competitive balance with road can be tipped the right way.

It is mainly the archaic rules governing rostering that hamstring the freight business today. With footplate staff averaging 4,000 miles a year on freight duties, and a redundant guard as well, it costs £2.50 in wages to the crew each time a freight train moves one mile! Worse still use of locos and wagons is sacrificed on the altar of economic crew rostering.

At the heart of the current dispute with the train drivers lies this thorny problem of excessive crew costs which is destroying BR's freight business. Flexible just the start. Flexible rostering is

be won from the road, given the doubling of train productivity that is clearly possible. What matching gain can the road haulier look forward to, apart from the 40-tonne lorry?

While this would only increase rail tonnage by a third, it would double freight revenue from £600m to £1,200m a year, quite enough to justify main line electrification. Given a Channel tunnel, the total could be

The big question is not whether rail has the technical capacity to compete with road for what is, after all, still a small segment of the total market. The doubt that remains is whether, even now, the train drivers' conviction that the world owes them a living remains un-shaken. If so, 50,000 railway-men could join the dole queues before the next

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THE TIMES DIARY

The other night Mr Roy Hattersley and Mr William Rodgers debated on television under the beady and judicial eye of Sir Robin Day.
Mr Hattersley had assumed his inquisitorial mien. The atmosphere was thick with forensic accusation. Mr Rodgers had been injudicious enough to declare that a classless society was funda-mental for the Social Demo-

Mr Hattersley pounced. "Now, do you believe in a classless society that has a two-tier education system with some people buying superior education and some people having to suffer whatever the local authorities can afford ... "?

Mr Rodgers said he be-lieved that in a classiess society people should have a high degree of freedom to choose how they want to spend their money. Many working class parents be-lieved they should spend a little (the word was accentuated with such force that Mr Rodgers seemed in some danger of coming apart at the political seams) of their political seams) of their money, not on beer and cigarettes but on their children's education — perhaps paying for extra teaching in the evening. He did not think he should deny them or anyone else that right.

Research shows that 40 to 50 million tons of freight moving over 200 miles could handlester Grammar and Dulwich as of apparently negligible significance com-pared with the right to use the beer money for extra maths, Mr Rodgers reasonably enough expressed his fear that Labour's kind of equality would deny the freedom of choice that "most people desperately want".

> So Mr Rodgers did believe in a two-tier system! Meta-phorically, Mr Hattersley rested his case. It is a subject on which he feels deeply. His wife is the headmistress of a progressive comprehensive school, and Mr Hattersley jealously guards his claim that his pronouncements of the right kind of educational system have the force of moral conviction untouched

In fact, after I had written something long ago, suggesting that Mr Hattersley's demand for the abolition of independent schools was not unconnected with the political wind then blowing hard matters. But what about Mr from the left, he was very Rodgers and the SDP?

Ronald Butt

Democratic but hardly socialist



Hattersley: at odds over class and classroom.

met at a Labour Conference. He thought I had cast doubt on his sense of conviction. Perhaps I had, but only because I could not think of any other rational expla-nation why a basically moderate man should propose so was a kind of compliment.

to join us for dinner. There was a moment's pause. Mr Hattersley is a kindly man and may have been tempted to make it up (which I am glad to say we since have) on the spot. Or he may simply have been feeling hungry. Then he gave his verdict. "No", he declared, "I will not eat with Ronald

Well, how much more can you give up for your moral principles than that? Mr Hattersley had provided proof enough even for this Doubting Thomas. We know where he stands and that his conscience dictates. He wishes to abolish, somehow or other, all independent schools, though we do not know precisely where he and his party stand on paying for extra maths with the beer

So we understand Mr Hattersley's and his party's sociological position on such

I have previously sug-gested that the Social Democrats, to carve a permanent place for themselves in the political spectrum, need principally to channel to them-selves the votes of the old Labour Party. But they hope also to gain a controlling position in the next Parlia-ment with the help of the Tory panic vote which sup-ports the SDP to keep out the Labour left. With proportional representation, they then hope to become the permanent element in a series of perpetual centrist coalitions.

That is why, challenged by Mr Hattersley to say whether he regarded the SDP as recreating the old Labour Party, Mr Rodgers said no, it was "quite a new party" whose best recruits were "caring" people of no pre-vious ideological commitment to the older parties.

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My colleague, the late James
Margach proceeded in his
avuncular way to pour a little
oil and asked Mr Hattersley
tial group of ex-Labour
politicians, who would never
have left that party if it had
adhered to their kind of
socialism, have formed a new party largely supported by activists who are middle-class and in revolt against the old politics. It is a party led by professional politicians rapid-ly being driven to a position which implicitly denies the "socialist" element in social democracy. As far as the mass of

abour voters is concerned this is probably no great disadvantage. Socialism was never Labour's principal attraction to its working-class voters. They supported because they believe it looked after their class interest, redistributed income to their advantage, provided welfare and upheld the trade unions. They never felt strongly about such matters as abolishing public schools, private medicine or about nationalization.

heart of the SDP politicians will not die so easily particularly their instinct for

ing. Mr Roy Jenkins himself is by now pretty free from such ideas. Mr Rodgers may be moving the same way.
That can hardly be said at
Mrs Williams (who has had to
swallow her ideas on chocation) or even Dr Owen. Theirs may not be pure-

enough socialism for the disillusioned SDP officials who wrote in complaint to The Times the other day. But there is enough of it left in the hearts of the old Labour politicians who are the core of the new party to create some real strains.

Their political roots were established in the days of Gaitskellite-Crosland egalitarianism, when the aim was a "classless society" (actually a very middle-class concept achieved not by further redistribution but by growth planning and social engineer ing. But alas, there is little growth (in the 1950s sense) in prospect and painless social democracy is now in retrest. all over Europe. Even in Germany the SPD is set to go to the left after Schmidt a when the alliance with the Free Democrats breaks. In a., way, the British Social Democrats look like a party trying to sign the Bad Godesberg declaration 25 years too late.

Labour vote, but does that vote need Mrs Williams's kind of egalitarianism? Times have changed. Leaving saids the unsettled questions of Nato and defence, it could be argued that the developing consensus at the top of the Labour Party in Parliament is not all that far from representing the modern face of Gaitskellism - not least in its attitude to Europe. Everything depends on whether they can beat off the left-wing challenge which threstens parliamentary responsibility.

As for the new party, the real question is not whether they can be social democrats in the old European sense, but whether they can create national constituency much nearer to that of the Democrats across the Atlantic.

It is at least a question of whether the new party's present leaders, given their emotional origins, and their obsession with class equality (what precisely does it mean?) can achieve this Listening to Mr Rodgers; but felt far from sure — which must have been quite. controls and social engineer- comfort for Mr Hattersley.

Lord Carver takes up his pen for peace

Field Marshal Lord Carver, the former Chief of the Defence Staff, is writing a book about peace. He has been commissioned by Matthew Evans, chairman and managing director of Faber, who is, though Carver may not know it a unilateralist and reterance. unilateralist and veteran of Aldermaston marches. Evans heard Carver in radio discussion, arguing, with tren-chant Wykehamist rationalism,

the irresponsibility and illogi-cality of contemplating limited nuclear war. Evans wrote a letter inviting the book and within two days had a phone call confirming a delivery date — April 1. The two have yet to meet, but already Evans seems a little overawed by the tall, lean soldier with a reputation for laying waste sacred cattle. "He sounds pretty

formidable", Evans confided Carver says the book he is writing is tentatively entitled A Policy for Peace and briskly deploys his arguments. "Nuclear war cannot be considered as an effective continuation of any reasonable policy", he says. "The situation has changed since it was concievably, and perhaps mis-guidedly possible to think of war as a reasonable extension of state policy. It would be extremely imprudent to assume that if

"I am totally against the abolition of nuclear weapons, which would be putting the clock back to a time when it was still possible to think war reasonable.

possible to keep it limited.

Nuclear weapons do only two things: stop the great powers fighting each other, and if that by any misfortune — fails, stop them using nuclear weapons." Unilateralist Matthew Evans may now ponder whether he heard Lord Carver on the radio, or misheard him.

Warm Alliance

TOTAL FREIGHT MOVED

113 billion tonne-km

Humphry Berkeley, leading contender for a record in political uncertainty, will be fighting under his third party banner in May. He has just been chosed as SDP candidate for the Chiswick ward of Hounslow borough council. Berkeley was formerly Conservative MP for Lancaster, and then Labour candidate for North Fylde.

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Berkely's running partner on the Alliance ticket will be Liberal Joy Skinner. Their alliance is more warm and close than can be said of SDP-Liberal relationships in the country at large. Berkeley is already godfather to her eldest

Fouling the nest

It is good news that we can now buy cheaper cars abroad without having to collect them personally, and better still that David Howell says Britain is not in the business erecting artificial barriers to

Perhaps this means that we nuclear war starts it will be may expect a prompt end to the restriction on imports of UHT milk from other EEC countries. Ministry officials explain, with a mean twinkle in their eyes, that it is all done purely on health grounds, but fail to explain why,

Source: Transport Statistics Great Britain 1970-1980

Tight Road and tail freight in 1980

speculate. This one informs. goes a hostage to fortune if ever there were one which will doubtless fetch

a friendly flurry of brickbats the next time PHS speculates unprofitably.) The next editor of The Tablet, the remarkable Roman Catholic periodical which courts Grabes able Roman Cathotic perioaical which counts Graham Greene among its contributors, is to be John Wilkins. The vacancy arising on the retirement of Tom Burns, the present editor, aroused special

had only eight editors in 142 years. Wilkins was formerly assistant diturn of the paper for five years from 1967, when Burns took over from the 30-year tenure of his predecessor, Douglas Woodruff. He has since been working for the BBC's foreign staff. Burns, who man of the board, took no part in the choice but wholeheartedly approves it. It will, he says, reassure readers that care has been taken to ensure continuity in the paper's proud record of intellectual independence.

interest because The Tablet has

if this is so, imports of UHT cream and dairy ice cream are not similarly banned. Unsung heroine One of the most remarkable and A cynic would say it had

something to do with maintaining the exceptionally high level of liquid milk prices in Britain, and PHS is, of course, a professional Equally neither PHS nor any-

one else can actually prove that the Ministry of Agriculture's ban on Commercial importation of poultry and poultry products is related to the threat of a turkey processing plant in Normandy big St John-Stevas index his magnum enough to supply the whole British market, and the low price of eggs in France, rather than fowl pest. Yet it is a fact that every day-tripper returning on the ferries can now bring back one kilogram of any fresh meat, which must leave our supposed defences against fowl pest pretty

unsung women of her generation, Irene Clephane, close friend of Sir Denis Brogan, the historian, is to be cremated in Islington on Monday. She died last Friday at her north London home in her 87th year, having been a forerunner of the women's liberation movement. An author and a journalist she was fluent in French, German and Dutch and in her later years helped Norman opus, the works of Walter Bagehot. A friend described her as "the ideal backroom research worker and general factorum"

And so to b & b

We are, it seems, good in bed and better at breakfast. Sigourney Welles, who has just completed

purmed up: but the SDP are on

money.

4ACAB here. No. ASLEF haven't

18 months' bed and breakfasting in Britain and beyond, is so content with what she found that she is convinced we offer "the world", and has made that the grandiloquent title of her newly published guide book on the subject

Admittedly she interlarded her round of egg-and-bacon platters with visits to country houses and historic hotels, to which she was preparing another guide simultaneously. They are, she insists, two completely different worlds, and she would not say which she preferred beyond volunteering that "bed and breakfast is pure

She got the idea for the b&b book when she wanted to tour Britain after years in America. She advertised in newspapers around the world asking for recommendations, and was inundated with replies from nostalgic holidaymakers who thought our landladies were wonderful. Then she and an assistant took to the road to see for themselves, sleeping in 800 beds and downing 800 hearty breakfasts. "You never know what you are going to get — Jacobean manor, timbered cottage or ancient vicarage. Some of the houses are architectural games but see his architectural gems, but too big for the owners who welcome you with open arms." Last tip for indigent travellers - best value of all is in Eire.

Diplomatic tips

The new Israeli ambassador-designate to Washington, Moshe Arens, who takes up his post next week, received some public advice from four of his predecessors at a dinner in Tel Aviv.

The host, Samuel Lewis, the

American ambassador to Israel, set the tone by offering Arens a farewell gift — a bowl of asprin. The former ambassador to Washington, Eliahou Eilath (1953-57), advised Arens to leave embassy work to aides and to appeal directly to the American people. Abe Hartmann (1957-61) offered the tip of thermal underwear for presidential inaugurations, always held outdoors in freezing weather, while Simkha Dinitz (1972-78)recommended paying always by credit opinion. card because people who pay cash are suspect.

The former Labour Minister, Yitzhak Rabin, ambassador from 1968 to 1972, warned Arens never to propose anything to the Americans — who would know where to find him if they needed:

Small World In an impressive display

solidarity with their summarily dismissed editor, Dr Michael O'Donnell, the salaried writers of O'Donnell, the salaried writers of:
World Medicine and 13 regular
contributors, have announced their resignations. The acting editor, Mark Allen, drafted by the owners, IPC, from Nursing Mirror, is left with one trained reporter, until recently the editor's secretary and hastily tor's secretary, and hastily gathered freelances.

Those abandoning ship include Professor Bryan Brooke, consultant editor and emeritus professor of surgery at the University of London; Jeremy Laurance, the features editor; Tim Albert, executive editor; Katharine. Whitehorn and Derek Cooper of The Observer, Dr David Delvin, Dr Bernard Dixon, former editor of New Scientist; and the political correspondent, Hugh Macpherson. O'Donnell has hopes of reviv

ing the magazine's old spirit elsewhere. When IPC became sole owners, the staff were told they would be moving to Suiton, Surrey, and he was given one afternoon to get out. He has since had an attack of shingles which hardly seems surprising, though that is not a professional

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LAST CHANCE BEFORE SHUT-DOWN

for a month on end, but apparently not good enough to stand up to inquiry even by as sympathetic an observer as improving rail efficiency in Lord McCarthy. Rather than future years if a strike state its case, the union has responded to the invitation by allowed to succeed. The two rearranging its days of stop- larger rail unions would see page so as to cause greater what an obstinate tenth of the disruption of services and greater loss to its already debt-ridden employer, without incurring any further loss of enforce barsher economies earnings for its members. The and service cuts eventually. fact that Aslef's implied There can be no giving way assessment of the weakness of its case is accurate is no ible rostering.
comfort to those who see the Aslef had effectively isocomfort to those who see the railway system in its present form threatened with destruction by the self-righteous cussedness of a doomed craft union in defence of a doomed

hinding arbitration. Lord McCarthy's record as chairman of the Rail Staff National Tribunal has been marked by a distinctly relaxed view of the urgency of improving stronger every day. As the productivity. The terms of borrowed funds run short it reference drawn up by Acas becomes harder to justify mention last August's agreement on productivity as well when no trains run, and to as the one on pay, but they do justify stretching out the not oblige the committee to agony by trying to provide

Peter Straffor

Aslef considers its case good enough to hobble the railways for a month on and but former. But for Aslef even the mention is too much.

> workforce could do, and draw their own conclusions. The cost of an incurably over-manned service would on the central issue of flex-

lated itself by its refusal: even Mr Len Murray has been. moved to mild protest. But that does not make the dispute any less difficult for The inquiry which started even eighty per cent in some yesterday is not binding: Aslef had already refused binding arbitration. BR to fight in financial terms. paying the drivers themselves for four days of each week. The case for limiting these losses as far as possible grows becomes harder to justify their going on pay for days

incomplete services on the odd days that Aslef permits.

It would be wrong for BR to make any move while Lord McCarthy's committee is sit-ting. It is expected to report early next week. Or, it now appears, the committee may abandon its task if Aslef persists in its refusal to attend. The report, if there is one, is not a foregone con-clusion: if the committee finds that flexible rostering is optional, the board should rely on its own commercial judgment that it is essential. If an acceptable formula for reconciling Aslef to the change is proposed, it should be put immediately to the union. If they reject it, or if the inquiry is aborted, then the board should suspend the agreement of the footplate-men's guaranteed working week at once and stop paying them until they are prepared to work normally. How long railwaymen belonging to the other unions should be paid their guaranteed wage is a matter for the financial and political judgment of the board. In any case the money to pay those wages would soon run out. It would then be for the Government to ensure that no more funds would be available to the railway until operations could be resumed on the basis of labour pro-

PALESTINIAN AUTONOMY

tinian autonomy published this a federal or confederal week do not hold out any hope arrangement. But they insist of progress towards the solution of the Palestinian problem. Although Israeli spokesmen have worked hard to present Israel's offer as a very gener-ous one, suggesting for in-stance that "eighty per cent of governmental powers" will be exercised by the inhabitants of the West Bank and Gaza, or that to form their own state if "what we are offering is they so wished, and his hope equivalent to the United States of selling the Camp David cabinet without Haig and Weinberger", it is clear that such statements are meaningless in the context of the actual situation in the West Bank and

continuing process of Israeli settlement. The other is the aspiration of the Arab inhabitants for independence. The first renders any proposal for autonomy meaningless so long as it is "personal" rather than "territorial". The Pales-tinians will not actually be in control of their own affairs so long as they have no control over the Israeli settlers living lation to believe in such an in their midst. The settle agreement and to try to make ments do not exist in a it work. For there to be any vacuum. They impinge con- chance of that, autonomy stantly on the daily life of the would have to mean effective stantly on the daily life of the would have to mean effective Arab inhabitants, as even Mr control of the whole area of Mustafa Dodin, leader of the the West Bank and the Gaza-Israeli-backed "Village Strip, including those land

aspiration for Palestinian by long-established custom, in independence means that no private use). The Arabs of form of autonomy will cut East Jerusalem, who are any ice politically unless it unquestionably Palestinians holds out at least the hope of and not Israelis, should also progress towards indepen- be allowed to take part. dence. What form indepen- Israeli settlement should be dence would take is debatable. frozen at once at its present Many Palestinians in the West Bank, and some in Gaza, would hope, and even assume, that a future Palestinian cutity would be very closely begun.

The Israeli proposals for Pales- linked to Jordan — possibly in that this is a decision for them to take: their right to self-determination must be recognized.

The late President Sadat understood this point clearly. In his famous speech to the Knesset in 1977 he insisted on the right of the Palestinians accord to the Palestinians was based on the idea that it provided a transitional solution enabling them to exercise their right of self-determithe Gaza Strip.

This situation is dominated through elected representatives, within five years.

continuing process of Israeli

President Mubarak is stick-

ing to that line. He rightly insists that nothing would be achieved by Egyptian con-cessions to the Israeli concept of autonomy, since it is not Egypt's signature that will determine the success or failure of any autonomy agreement: it is the willingness of the Palestinian population to believe in such an League" in the Hebron area, and water resources which bitterly complains.

The second point — the Ottoman law (though often, frozen at once at its present level, and a processe of dismantling some of the more provocative settlements in sensitive areas should be

The Camp David accord at one point describes the proposed self-governing authposed self-governing auth-ority, in paren-thesis, as an "administrative council". The Israelis argue from this that it should be a purely executive body, composed of thirteen functionaries each at the head of a department, without any legislative power. The Egyptians, by contrast, are proposing a legislative body of some eighty members. This would have the advantage both of giving the Palestinians some real power and of encourag-ing a significant number of them to get involved in political activity by standing for election. Since the Israelis persistently claim that the Palestine Liberation Organization does not really represent the population in the occupied territories, they ought to welcome this chance for an indigenous political leadership to emerge. The United States should

itself come out in support of a proposal along these lines, rather than trying to put equal pressure on Egypt and Israel to "close the gap" between their positions. That approach in the long run acts as a disincentive to con-cessions by either side, since whatever one concedes becomes simply the new line from which one will be urged to shift. In the present context Egypt is unlikely to yield to such pressure, since further Egyptian concessions on the Palestinian issue would achieve nothing for Egypt but would weaken her chances of recovering her good standing in the Arab world. By contrast serious American press-ure on Israel is now essential if the last chance of making Camp David the corner-stone of an overall Middle East peace is not to be lost.

DO NOT MUZZLE THE MESSENGER

Visitors to South Africa are often surprised by the apparent freedom of the press; "banned" people being reported it all, and in the stern restrictions on reporting of cartoonists hold up governmatters concerned with ment leaders to scorn and prisons and defence. Affairs leading articles vigorously criticise points of policy. This freedom has been steadily dimminished, but enough remains to be of value. If the recommendations just published by a committee under Mr Justice Marthinus Steyn are made law, even that will be put in doubt.

The Suppression of Communism Act of 1950 was the first of a series of laws giving the government draconian powers over journalists. These were used in the 1960s to kill radical and left-wing journals, most notably the weekly New Age (also the Guardian and other aliases it assumed while struggling to avoid banning). Since then the fire has been turned on more liberal, non-revolutionary targets; the two most recent victims being Mr Donald Woods, former editor of the Daily Dispatch of East London, and Mr Percy Qoboza, former editor of the World, demonstrably non-

The main restrictions on the surviving press come from the law which prevents the words and opinions of with medicine and the law.

of vital concern to the people of South Africa have been ignored by the press because of legal constraints. While some journalists have stood up bravely, the main English-speaking press has been borne down over the years. The change of editorship of the Rand Daily Mail, for instance, have indicated a failure of managerial nerve.

The crucial proposal of the Steyn committee is that all. journalists should be compulsorily registered on a central roll; a General Council for Journalists could strike off those it found guilty of "improper conduct" and thus prevent them from exercising their profession. The register would apparently extend to foreign journalists whose work was taken by South African newspapers. The council would consist of three government nominees and nine journalists, the means of choosing them giving a weighting to pro-government journalists. The committee said it wished to improve the

(Interestingly, a similar excuse was given recently in Sierra Leone for an early repressive measure.)

The truth, however, is that journalists do not fit into a mould and cannot be lined up in drill formation. The Nigerian novelist (and brave journalist) Chinua Achebe recently wrote: "Most writers are inveterate critics of their fellow men and of society — a role imposed on them by their multiple vision, their natural scepticism and individualism. . . When [a writer] gets up to

dance with his fellows he is apt to hear in his mind's ear the rhythms of a different drummer. In the words frightening words - of Joyce he is doomed to be Carey,

free' Steyn restrictions The put journalists on a would More important, a closer confinement of the press must have a damaging effect on South African life, Even the most optimistic predictions for the country foresee difficult but unavoidable adjustments for white South Africans. For that they will need as much information as possible about what is happening, what people think and what options are available. How will they get it without a free press?

Socialism and the social democrats

From the Leader of the Opposition Sir, I read some months ago the acknowledgement by Roy Jenkins that he had not been accustomed for years to use the word socialism. I read frequently, and most recently in your correspondence columns on Tuesday, that David Owen has removed from the latest edition of his book, Face the Future, all references to socialism to be found in the original. I read also that the Social Democrat Party has chosen to call its. "think

tank" the Tawney Society.
Will the society at its early meetings devote its labours to the removal of the word socialism from the works of Professor Tawney? It would be a formidable task. And it would surely be more tasteful if these new thinkers did not seek, for their own purposes, to debase the name of Tayney. Some of us can recall how proudly and passionately he pronounced the word socialism, and scorned those who would not understand its true origin, meaning and glory.

Yours fraternally, MICHAEL FOOT. February 3.

Easier mortgages

From Mr John Stawart Sir, In discussing the new indexlinked mortgages offered by the Building Trust (January 29), your Business Editor repeats an ageold mistake on encountering new

old mistake on encountering new ideas, a preoccupation with remote and hypothetical problems and misunderstandings that obscure understanding of the idea itself.

1. Building Trust mortgages will enable those whose income disqualifies them from a conventional building society or bank loan to buy their own home. To relinquish some of the equity is relinquish some of the equity is certainly a cost. But surely for many households in this position this cost will be far outweighed by the benefits of home owner-

ship.

2. Homebuyers are not "potentially giving away some 50 per cent of any capital gain realized on their home". First, it is not "given away" because in ex-change for low monthly repayments now, borrowers pay a proportion of the capital gain later. Thus, deferred debt repayment enables a new market to be opened up. Second, the 50 per cent capital gain is based on the value of the loan, not the full price of the house. 3. Mortages, especially for those

on lower incomes, are long-term commitments. Static house prices income first-purchasers might buy and sell a house within one year in the present economic circumstances is more of the order of a crack in the pavement than a "potential pitfall". And besides, the trustees are empowered to consider individual cases of hardship, just as occurs with building society borrowers. Yours sincerely,

JOHN STEWART, Housing Economist, The House-Builders Federation, 82 New Cavendish Street, W1. ĭanuarv 29.

High flyers

From Mr Michael Geare Sir, The secretary of the British Microlight Aircraft Association is quoted in today's Times article (February 2) as comparing microlight pilots with Icarus. He is right in that both crash. He is wrong in that Icarus did not wrong in that Icarus and not create a uniquely savage, selfish and un-controlled noise pollution. The sensible West Germans would supply Icarus with heatresistant wax: they have banned noise-pollutant Microlights. Yours faithfully, MICHAEL GEARE, The Thatched Cottage,

Gagingwell, Oxfordshire. February 2.

A mature view

From Lady Sachs

Sir, I note with alarm and despondency in your issue of January 29 that Channel 4 threatens to introduce a special programme for the elderly. Why? I admit (albeit reluctantly) to being 72, but I will not admit to being in need of any special treatment from the box, and I have always found that, with discrimination, the existing programmes supply everything that any sane adult could possibly

require at any age.

I have no doubt that the programmes will be admirably selected and presented and that my vision of endless beautifully-read extracts from books which can be better enjoyed by private reading, cosy knitting patterns and 301 different ways to tart up the bedtime Ovaltine will be totally unfounded. But it does not alter the infuriating impression of being patronised and being incapable of interest in the ordinary programmes just be-cause one happens to be over 601 regime, so the issue was never

It could be that the passage of time can sharpen critical facul-ties and widen interests and in tested. any case why should we oldies be relegated to the reverse equivalent of Listen With Mother? Yours sincerely, MARGARET SACHS, Walland Oast, Wadhurst,

January 30.

Ethics of human embryo banks

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

From Dr R. Snowden and Pro-fessor G. D. Mitchell dangers which accompany secrecy and the lack of regulation.

Sir, Recent publicity (report, January 28) surrounding the activities of Mr Patrick Steptoe and Dr Robert Edwards in freezing embryos for subsequent thawing suggests there is a need for a public debate into the topics

from members of the medical profession directly involved that a moratorium on embryo freezing who selects the donor? How are in order to permit public debate of the practice would be "ill donor used? What are the rights informed" and "alarmist", it is gratifying to learn that the profession is attempting to provide "guidelines" in relation to vide "guidelines" in relation to the practice. However, these guidelines are to be produced by the Royal College of Obstetric-ians and Gynaecologists for their own members and will presum-

profession and presumably their scientists, the medical profession legal advisers. Our own research nor the legal profession are into the social, psychological and moral issues surrounding these different forms of human reproductions indicate the surrounding these different forms of human reproductions indicate the surrounding these different forms of human reproductions indicate the surrounding these surrounding these different forms of human reproductions indicate the surrounding these surrounding the surrounding these surrounding these surrounding these surroun duction indicates the need to go far beyond legal or medical

consideration.

Secondly, any enquiry must not be confined to the minority cases of in vitro fertilization and embryo freezing, but must in-clude the issues of surrogate motherhood and the more common practice of artificial insemi-

mon practice of artificial insemi-nation by semen donor (AID).

Thirdly, the mere production of "guidelines" which may give some legal protection to those responsible for providing surro-gate motherhood, AID, in vitro fertilization and embryo-freezing services, is insufficient. What is needed is some form of licensing needed is some form of licensing (e.g. of sperm banks, etc) and registration (e.g. of those provid-

ing these services).

At the present time there is no control whatsoever in this country in the establishment of sperm banks and the commercialisation of AID, surrogate motherhood and in vitro fertilization services. These services, by definition, are directed towards those who are particularly vul-nerable in their desire to have a

child almost at any price.

After discussions with those who suffer from intertility we have come to appreciate the depth of misery and the feelings of hopelessness experienced by couples who want a child but, for one reason or another, are denied one. The need for regulation is not in order to prevent this group of unfortunate people from receiving the help they need, but to ensure that such help is provided in a way that is compatible with the moral standards of our time and avoids the February 1.

To take AID as an example, which is the most common of the procedures described, questions relating to the selection of those being provided with the AID for a public debate into the topics of surrogate motherhood, artificial insemination and "test-tube" babies.

Despite the predictable cries from members of the medical have on the family relationships? have on the family relationships?

It is an assumption that in the case of in vitro fertilization the ova and sperm from a married couple are being used and the fertilized ova are being replaced in the wife's body; however, this remains an assumption. But in ably not be mandatory.

Our objections to the way this cases of surrogate motherhood matter is being dealt with are threefold.

Firstly, any enquiry should involve a much wider spectrum of society than merely the medical profession and presumable their

> successfully thawed out and subsequently developed in goats, pigs, sheep and cows leads us to worry about the future reproductive practices of the human race. A recent report of a scientific meeting held in 1979 called to discuss the provision of AID services included a paper. describing the careful selection and treatment of stud bulls.
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> Apparently, all the cows in this country could be serviced by just 30 such bulls.

At the same meeting one gynaecologist referring to human AID called for the establishment of donor panels of "top sires" whose spermatozoa could be distributed around the country for use by those wishing to provide an AID service. Yet another description in the same report was of a "masturbatorium" situated in Adelaide, South Australia, frequented by donors who provide their donation in conditions of some comfort including the availability of "girlie" magazines. Had such scientific assistance

been available in the 1930s the master race would doubtless have been more than a gleam in Hitler's eye. It is surely time we had a public enquiry into the whole business. Yours sincerely, ROBERT SNOWDEN,

G. DUNCAN MITCHELL, Institute of Population Studies, University of Exeter, Hoopern House, 101 Pennsylvania Road, Exeter.

HMS Endurance

From Lord Shackleton and others Sir, Your columns have already carried correspondence (October 26, et seq.) regarding the reten-tion in service of HMS Endurance, the Royal Navy's only vessel capable of carrying the White Ensign into the south Atlantic and ice-filled Antarctic seas, thus maintaining, both symbolically and practically, Britain's traditional position in this potentially very important land and sea area.

Since the intention to pay off

HMS Endurance at the end of the current southern summer season became known, considerable public and parliamentary concern has been expressed. We the undersigned, who all have personal experience or knowledge of the present and developing situation in the area, share their anxieties.

While we appreciate the problems facing the Royal Navy in meeting essential defence commitments in a climate of economy, the decision to axe HMS Endurance is tantamount to the withdrawal of the Royal Navy from the hazardous waters where no other naval vessel can undertake all her various tasks. The saving is likely to be greatly outweighed by the consequences to Britain's future interests in what is expected to become a vital

With 21 nations from all quarters of the world now moving fast to establish or enlarge an Antarctic presence, in many cases at an expense considerable greater than this country seems willing to envis-

pull back or be thought to be moving along a path of retreat. Besides the loss of the ship's special facilities, the withdraway of HMS Endurance will be seen as a step in this direction. Thus Britain's influence will be diminished at a time when it will be greatly needed in the determi-nation of conservation measures and the regulation of exploitation, as the successful Antarctic Treaty comes up for review, a treaty which Britain played a leading part in instituting.

In anticipation of that review,

age, this is no time for Britain to

and of the future beyond it, national self-interests will inevi-tably come to the fore. No country will then want to lose out on the prospects; least of all should Britain. It seems to us vital that the White Ensign should continue to fly regularly in the south-west Atlantic and the Antarctic Ocean, for its impli-cation of national interest goes far beyond that expressed by the presence of research ships. This would not only maintain general British interests in the area, but would also provide moral support for the totally British population of the Falkland Islands.

Yours faithfully, SHACKLETON, PETER SCOTT, V. E. FUCHS, E. G. IRVING, MORRIS, ERIC OGDEN J. R. W. PARKER, MICHAEL SHERSBY, T. WOODFIELD, Royal Geographical Society, Kensington Gore, SW7. January 28.

European Court powers From Mr Alan R. Tyrrell, QC;

tive)

Sir, Mr Michael Baily's fear (feature, February 1) that even if Lord Bethell wins his air fares case in the European Court of Justice, "little or nothing will happen" is ill-founded.

Although there is no machinery in the court for penalizing a defaulting member state, none has ever yet been necessary. In 23 years, there has been only one occasion when a member state (France) has through its govern-ment, not its court, stated that it would not accept a decision (the "sheepmeat case" in 1980). However, there was a political agreement to set up a sheepmeat

Member states have often delayed implementation of a decision, the worst instance being the four-year delay in the art tax case by Italy in 1972. But delay is different from denial, which would challenge the foun-

dations of the Treaty of Rome. The governments of member states are subordinate to their national law, which in each case

recognizes the jurisdiction of the European Court of Justice. So a citizen damaged by the refusal of the government of a member state to implement the court's decision could sue it in its own national court, which would inforce the law as declared by the ECJ using national procedures. This could have been done in the

sheepmeat case". In the Bethell case, if the court holds that article 85 of the treaty and the competition regulations made thereunder apply to air-lines, then the Commission itself could fine offending airlines. Fines in the order of half a million pounds are not uncom-

It would be a pity if the idea mistakenly gained credence that member states were above European Community law. In fact, the ECJ is the first truly international court which can justly claim that its decisions are complied with. In its historical perspective, the achievement is remarkable. Let it not be belittled.

Yours faithfully, A. R. TYRRELL, 15 Willifield Way, Hampstead Garden Suburb, NW11. February 1.

Civilian job cuts in Defence

From the Permanent Under-Secretary of State at the Ministry

Sir. May we make one factual comment on your leader "Who guard the Guards?" of February 3? You state that since Mrs Thatcher took office the number of jobs in "public administration and defence" has fallen by only 21% not core. 2½ per cent. So far as defence is concerned, the facts are that since Mrs Thatcher took office the number of civilian jobs has fallen by 26,000 — 10½ per cent compared with the 8 per cent fall of the compared with the 8 per cent fall of the concerned as a shall which in the economy as a whole which

in the economy as a whole which you quote in your leader. Over the same period, the number of military jobs has increased by 18,250 (5.8 per cent).

As your readers well know, we intend to reduce the number of civilian jobs by a further 21,500 to 200,000 between now and April 1984 which will take the 1, 1984, which will take the overall rundown to 19 per cent since the Government took

Overall, since 1960 the number of United Kingdom civilian jobs in the Ministry of Defence has fallen by 100,000 (30 per cent). Over broadly the same period (since 1964) the number of United Kingdom military jobs has

fallen by 90,000 (21 per cent).

These are recorded facts. We would not wish to draw any conclusions. Yours sincerely. FRANK COOPER,

Ministry of Defence, Main Building, Whitehall, SW1. February 3.

Balances of power

From Dr M. P. Coleman Sir, When Mr Reagan stops food shipments to Poland and spends £30m on weapons for the Government of El Salvador, one has to admire his pragmatism. In the science of butchering their compatriots, the soldiers in El Salvador are streets ahead of the

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Poles.
Will Mrs Thatcher now ask an globally impresario to stage a globally televised defence of freedom for the people of El Salvador? Yours faithfully. MICHEL COLEMAN.

Epidemiology Department, St Mary's Hospital Medical School, University of London, W2. February 2.

Women in orders From the Right Reverend Gilbert

Baker Sir, In her article of January 25, Caroline Moorehead refers to the Rev Elizabeth Canham as the first Anglican priest.
This is not so, for the Rev

oyce Bennett, OBE, who British, was ordained by me in St John's Cathedral, Hongkong, together with another Chinese lady and two Chinese men, on Sunday, November 28, 1971.

This action followed the decision of the diocesan synod, which is not under the jurisdic-tion of Canterbury, and the approval of the Anglican Con-

Joyce Bennett has had a distinguished and fruitful minishas had a try in Hongkong as headmistress, pastor, and also as an appointed nember of the legislative council.

I hope that when she returns to her native land she will eventually be given the courtesy of a licence to officiate as a priest in the Church of England, just as I have graciously been given such permission since retiring from the bishopric of Hongkong to settle in this country. Yours sincerely.

GILBERT BAKER, Nower Road. Dorking, January 26.

Love locked out

From the General Secretary of the National and Local Government Officers Association

January 30) that the dispute by registration officers spoiled Mr David Hewson's wedding plans. Large numbers of people have suffered similar problems. However registration officers are not attributed by the suffered similar problems are not attributed by the suffered similar problems. a traditionally militant group of workers and have been pushed into industrial action by the local authorities' employers. The em-ployers have rejected out of hand a very modest regrading claim and have been most derogatory about this extremely conscien-tious group of staff.

Mr Hewson makes the suggestion that registration officers should go on strike to force a settlement. This shows a misun-derstanding of the status of registration officers who are registration officers who are outside the protection of employment law and who would by guilty of criminal offences if they were to take strike action. The penalty would be fines and, possibly, imprisonment. Nalgo would be more than irresponsible to act its members to act. to ask its members to take criminal action.

Yours faithfully. GEOFFREY DRAIN. 1 Mabledon Place,

February 3.

Popish plot?

From Mr D. R. Woodman Sir, Perhaps 1982 has already thrown up a useful new verb—
"to aslef", meaning to be willing
to wound but afraid (really) to

strike. Yours faithfully, DOUGLAS WOODMAN, 26 Butser Walk, Petersfield, Hampshire. February 2.

COURT AND SOCIAL

COURT CIRCULAR

SANDRINGHAM, NORFOLK

Pebruary 3: The Duke of Edinburgh, Captain General of the Royal Marines this evening attended the Mountbatten Concert given by the Massed Bands of the Royal Marines at the Royal Albert Hall. His Royal Highness travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's

Captain Christopher Men-beneott, RM, was in attendance.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE

February 3: The Prince of Wales, as president, this morning chaired the inaugural meeting of the Royal College of Music Centenary Appeal Committee at Buckingham Palace.

His Royal Highness, Chairman, the Mountbatten Memorial Trust, this evening gave a Reception for Trustees of the Appeal Committee at Buckingham Palace.

The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, Colonel-in-Chief the Worcestershire and Sherwood Foresters Regiment (29th/45th

Forthcoming marriages

The engagement is announced between Sir John Wedgwood and Dr Pamela Tudor-Craig.

Mr J. A. N. Cameron and Miss J. R. Wurtzburg

The engagement is announced hetween Johnny, younger son of Sir Donald and Lady Cameron of Lochiel, of Achnacarry, Inverness-shire and Julia, daughter of Mr R. C. Wurtzburg and the late Mrs Wurtzburg, of Kensington Court Place, London.

Mr N. J. Dodd and Miss S. L. Threifall

The engagement is announced between Nicholas, second son of Professor and Mrs J. M. Dodd, of Bangor, North Wales, and Susanna (Suzy), elder daughter of the late R. J. L. Threlfall and Mrs N. J. White and stepdaughter of Mr N. J. White, of Far Forest, Worcesterchire.

Mr D. S. Fitzsimmons and Miss W. B. Evans

The engagement is announced between David Stephen, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Denis Fitzsimmons, of Limpsfield, Surrey, and Wendy, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Robert Evans, of Wetherby, Yorkshire. Both are now residing in Shakey Heights, Ohio.

Mr E. A. Estric and Miss M. B. Balley

The engagement is announced between Richard Alan, son of Mr. netween Richard Alen, son of Mr and Mrs A. H. Harris, of 25, Lime Tree Road, Norwich, Norfolk, and Mary Bernadette, denghter of Mr and Mrs G. A. Bailey, of Sutfield House, Martham, Norfolk.

Mr R. K. Narain and Miss C. E. Earie

The engagement is announced beween Rajiv, youngest son of Major-General and Mrs Partap Narain, of New Delhi, India, and Caroline, youngest daughter of Dr and Mrs J. E. G. Earle, of Rackham House, North Elmham,

Inner Temple

Royal Marines' Concerts

batten Concerts given by the massed bands of Her Majesty's Royal Marines in the Albert Hall. The concerts are in aid of the Malcolm Sargent Cancer Fund for Children and service chari-

Lieutenant-General Sir Steuar Pringle, Commandant General Royal Marines, acted as host. Other guests in the royal box included:

Fleet Sir Terence and Lady Lewin, Mr and Mrs Kenneth Jones. Mr and Mrs David Wyndham-Smith, the Very Rev William Baddeley and Mrs J. Mason.

Lord Forte

The life barony conferred on Sir Charles Forte has been gazetted by the name, style and title of Baron Forte, of Ripley in the

Mr Justice Hirst The Queen has conferred a knighthood upon Mr Justice Hirst on his appointment as a Righ Court judge.

Foot) this afternoon at Bucking-ham Palace received Lieutenant-Colonel A. P. Wright on relin-quishing command of the 1st Battalion.

Her Royal Highness, Colonel-in-Chief, 14th/20th King's Hus-sars, received Lieutenant-Colonel D. L. de Beaujeu on relinquish-

The Frincess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, and Captain Mark Phillips this evening attended a Court Dinner of the Worshipful Company of Farriers at Innhoiders Hall, London EC4.

Miss Victoria Legge-Bourke was in attendance.

A memorial service for Mr C. H. Gibbs-Smith will be held today at St Augustine's, Queensgate, SW7,

and Miss A. Gell.

The marriage took place on Saturday at St. Mary's Church, Enville, of Captain Archie de C. Hunter, 15/19 The King's Royal Hussars, son of Mr and Mrs A. A. de C. Hunter, and Miss Antonia Gell, daughter of Mr P. A. M. Gell and Mrs Virginia Gell. The Rev Andrew Collins officiated, assisted by the Rev Jeremy Wordsworth.

The bride, who was given in

Jeremy Wordsworth.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Tom Hall, Charlie Cannon-Brookes, Miss Clare Hunter, Miss Campilla Hulse, Lucinda Cannon-Brookes, Samantha Hall, Zoë Parsons and Jorja Critchell-Bullock, Mr Robert Schiff was best man.

A reception was held at Enville Hall and the honeymoon is being spent abroad.

Mr V. L. Seyd and Mrs A. Meredith Hardy

The marriage took place yester-day in London between Mr Victor Leslie Seyd, of Martyn Lodge, Henfield, Sussex, and Mrs Anne Meredith Hardy, of Poplars Lodge, Horsmonden, Kent.

Dr O. H. Stanley and Miss B. McMullen

on Friday, January 22, between Dr Oliver Hugh Stanley and Miss Bernidette McMullen.

Mr D. Walker and Mrs C. Bailbache

The marriage took place in Oxfordshire on January 30, 1982, between Mr David Walker and Mrs Christine Bailhache.

Middle Temple Duke of Edinburgh entrance scholarships, which defray the cost of admission to the inn and call to the Bar, have been awarded to the following:

PM Ashman Excler Univ, Miss J R Barker, Chelmer Inst of Hisher Ed. Miss D A Beggs, Lerds Univ, P M Blair, Regeni's Park Coll Oxford: Miss D A Beggs, Lerds Univ, P M Blair, Regeni's Park Coll Oxford: Miss Constance Briscoe. Newcastle Univ. Miss N J Bulbeck, Leeds Univ; A C Bushell, Pembroke Coll, Oxford: Miss M J Cook. University Coll Scientific Coll. Oxford: Grahman Goodwill. Pitrwilliam J Cook. University Coll. Oxford: Grahman Goodwill. Pitrwilliam Coll. Cambridge: Miss J Y Fairhurst, LSE: R J Gimblett, Jesus Coll. Oxford: Grahman Goodwill. Pitrwilliam Coll. Cambridge: N P Hillier. Southampton Univ: A C Howard, Leeds Univ; J G Hutchinson, Leecester Univ. J E Jones, Hattled Coll. Durham: R C King, Si Catherine's Coll. Cambridge. Philips. Southampton Univ. Miss A M Noonan, Poly of Central London: Miss D J Penhale. Kent. Univ: Robert Pickering. Southampton Univ. Miss A M Noonan, Poly of Central London: Miss D J Penhale. Kent. Univ: Robert Pickering. Southampton Univ. Miss A M Noonan, Poly of Central London: Miss A L Powell. Manchester Univ. Miss P J Resd. King S Coll. London Anthony Rubson. Audit Cambridge: Miss C A Strimpton. Hull Univ: P A Stant, University Coll. Cambridge: Miss C A Strimpton. Hull Univ: P A Stant, University Coll. Cambridge: Miss C A Strimpton. Hull Univ: J H Trosted. Trailly Hall. Cambridge M R Wall, Bristol Univ. S J Wild. New Coll. Oxford. The Masters of the Bench of the Middle Temple have awarded the Duke of Edinburgh entrance Middle Temple have swarded the following:

Ilarmwarth (major) entrance exhibitions: M A Forde Brasenate Coli.

Oxford: D E Gill, Lyrce Française de Londres and Magdalene Coll. Cambridge; C P Hancock, Perse S. Cambridge and Trinity Coll. Cambridge; Misa S J V Jones, Sl Catherine's S. Bramtey and Trinity Hall, Cambridge; G A M Leggalt. Eton and King's Coll. Cambridge; A G Onslow, Lancing and Corpus Christi Coll. Oxford: B F Robert-Tissot, Hall, Cambridge; G A M Leggalt. Eton and King's Coll. Cambridge; A G Onslow, Lancing and Corpus Christi Call. Oxford: B F Robert-Tissot, Harmstworth (minor) entrance exhibitions: S J Berry, High School of Stirling and Exeter Coll. Oxford: Miss M C Carrer, Peler Symonds Coll. Winchester and Downing Coll. Cambridge; Miss G M Clarke. The Latymer S and Wadham Coll. Oxford: Miss L A Cook, Houghton S and Si John S Coll. Oxford: W J J Grundy Bolton S and Pembroke Coll. Oxford: W Albridge; Miss Coll. Oxford: W Harbasge, Halleybury and Si John's Coll. Cambridge: J R Howard. Royal Masonic S. Gresham's School and Magdalene Coll. Cambridge: R S and United Coll. Oxford: W Harbasge, Halleybury and Si John's Coll. Cambridge: J R Howard. Royal Masonic S. Gresham's School and Magdalene Coll. Cambridge: R S and United Coll. Oxford: Miss F Maccormick, Chellenham's Ladies Coll. and Trinity Coll. Oxford: A A J Monson. Eton and Merion Coll. Oxford: J P J F Nolan. Ampleforth and St Benet's Hall. Oxford: A R J Monson. Eton and Merion Coll. Oxford: A B J Monson. Eton and Brasenose Coll. Oxford: A B D Monson. Eton and Brasenose Coll. Oxford: A D L White-Huish's G S. Tsunion and Glare Coll. Cambridge. D G Wabrow, Truro Cathedral S and Wadham Coll. Oxford. A J G H Williamson, Highgate S and Childen S and Downing Coll. Cambridge. D G Wabrow, Truro Cathedral S and Wadham Coll. Oxford. A J G H Williamson, Highgate S and Childen S and Wadham Coll. Oxford. A G J Hidd's Coll. Cathedral S and Wadham Coll. Oxford. Mallen Cathedre S and Wadham Coll. Oxford. S G S Tsunion and Glare Coll. Cathedral S and Wadham Coll.

The Duke of Edinburgh, Captain General Royal Marines, was the principal guest yesterday at the first night of the 1982 Mount-Entrance bursaries: R. L. Arkhurst, Milton Abbey and Newcastle Poly. A G. Ciclitira. Felsied S and Leicester University. Miss M. Finn. Loreto Convent. Bowdon and LSE. C. L. Haivorsen, Slowe and Briston Gi. Lindonson, Slowe and Briston Gi. Great M. W. Potter. Royal GS. Gludford and Nottingham University. Lord Justice Sachs entrance exhibition: R. C. W. Odey, Harrow and Christ Church. Oxford.
Archibald Safford prize: D A. Sweeling, Beal GS and Clare Coll. Cambridge
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Sachs Law of evidence prize. I. R.
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and Emmanuel Coll. Cambridge Fleet Earl Mountbatten of Burma, former Life Colonel Commandant of the Royal

Sir Kirby Laing, Admiral of the

Latest wills

Mrs Madge Sanderson, of Collingham, near Wetherby,

West Yorkshire, left estate

valued at £148,903 net. She

left £39,500 and some effects

to personal legatees and the residue to the Yorkshire

Cancer Research Campaign.

Other estates include (net,

New Marton, Shropshire, company director£614,271 Blagg, Mr Alfred Edward, of Ordsall, Retford, Notting-

before tax paid):
Arnold, Mr William Henry, of New bishop

ing command.
The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark

A memorial service for Lord Pargiter will be held today at St Margaret's, Westminster, at 3.

A memorial service for Miss M.G. Watkins, Headmistress of Bedford High School from 1949 to 1965, will be held in St Paul's Church, Bedford at 11 am, on Saturday, February 13. A light lunch will be served at the high school afterwards to which all are welcome.

Mr S. R. Newali and Miss S. E. Muir

The engagement is announced between Stephen Richard, third son of Mr and Mrs Stephen Newall, Rowaleyn, Rhu, Dunbartonshire, and Sarah Evelyn, elder daughter of the late W. A. Gordon Muir and of Mrs Joanna M. Moir, The White House, Cardross, Donbartonshire.

Marriages

Mr R. English and the Hon Mopsa Young The marriage has taken place in London of Mr Richard Douglas English, fourth child of Major and Mrs Douglas English, of Bedford, and the Hon Mopsa Mary Young, third daughter of Lord and Lady Kennet, of London.

Captain A. de C. Hunter and Miss A. Gell.

Lancheons Rotary Club of London
Mr Douglas Smee, president, and
members of the Rotary Club of
London entertained Sir David
Nicolson, MEP, and the
Ambassadors of Turkey, Luxembourg, the Republic of Ireland
and Finland, at luncheon at the Café Royal yesterday.

Lunchtime Comment Club
Dr David Owen, MP, was the
guest speaker at a luncheon of
the Lunchtime Comment Club
held at the Connaught Rooms
yesterday. Mr E. G. Cornish,
chairman, presided.

West Africa Committee The West Africa Committee gave a luncheon yesterday at the Charing Cross Hotel, in honour of the High Commissioner for Nigeria. Mr E. C. Judd, chairman, presided.

Receptions

Baroness Vickers Baroness Vickers, chairman, and Mr Derrick Kleeman and Lord the council of the Anglo-Sieff of Brimpton were hosts at a Indonesian Society, were hosts dinner given last night at the last night at a reception given at Sevoy Hotel in honour of the chairman's residence to welcome the new Indonesian Ambassador and Mrs Arifin to Among those present were: Ambassador and Mrs Arifin to London.

Schrich Salety Council Dr Douglas Latto was host yesterday at a reception given at Armourers' Hall by the British Safety Council when diplomas in Safety Council when diplomas in safety management were presented. Among the guests were: Sir John Eden, MP, Mr Barney Hayhoe, MP, Mr Lewis Carler-Jones, MP, Mr Lan Gow, MP, Mr Robert Litherland, MP, Mr David Madet, MP, Mr Renneth Marks, MP, Mr Jamest Tes. (director general), Mr John Jarrait.

WPC Elizabeth Pruette: Study of policing in the West Indies.

WPC wins

royal travel

Miss Elizabeth Pruette, a police-woman aged 24, was one of 12 recipients of royal wedding travel

awards made by the British Council in London yesterday. She will use the money to fly to Jamaica in the summer to study policing methods and social

Miss Pruette, who is based at

learn any lessons from their policing methods", she said. The awards were made by Lord

appointed

award

Dinners

was sold at Christie's yesterday for £8,100 (estimate £6,000-£9,000). It was a gift to buy in on behalf of the worthy of a Sultan, a half-hunter with a border of enamel and rose diamonds, the back with an enamel painting of a cavalry scene.

high percentage largely reflected a group of 18 watches which Christie's were forced to buy in on behalf of the owner since they had failed to make contact with him to agree a reserve.

At Sotheby's Belgravia some pieces of ornate nine-teenth century furniture.

Farriers' Company Farriers' Company
Princess Anne, Mrs Mark
Phillips, senior assistant, proposed the toast to the guests at a
dinner of the Farriers' Company
held at Innholders' Hall yesterday, The Master, Mr G. K.
Findlay, presided and the other
speakers were Mr Peter Bromley
and Mr Mastin Company and Mr Martin Crawshay.

In the bot seat: Lord Lindley gets a taste of media exposure when he carried out

his first official engagement yesterday opening the MG Owners Club headquarters at Swaveley, Cambridgeshire.

Sultan's watch fetches £8,100

By Geraldine Norman, Sale Room Correspondent

teenth century furniture was 11 per cent unsold with a Among the clocks offered brought prices far beyond few paintings selected out for

Fletchers' Company
The Lord Mayor and Lady
Mayoress, accompanied by the
Sheriffs and their escorts, were
present at a ladies' dinner of the
Fletchers' Company held at
Carpenters' Hall yesterday. The Carpenters' Hall yesterday. The Master, Mr Deputy Eric Hill, accumpanied by Mrs Hill, presided, assisted by his Wardens, Mr E. A. Davies and Mr H. L. Waterman. The speakers were the Lord Mayor, the Master and Baroness Seesr.

Weizmann Institute Foundation

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At Sotheby's Belgravis The sale of modern British some pieces of ornate nine art at Sotheby's Bond Street

ir Michael and rofessor H. Hibmelw Ictor Hockhauser. S ady Hodge, Baroness Jabbi Dr Sir Immanuel rnesi Japhel, Sir Cl

Supper **English-Speaking Union**

Mr Edward J. Streetor, Minister Mrs Streator and Sir Patrick Dean, Chairman of the English-Speaking Union, and Lady Dean welcomed the guests at a buffet supper given after a preview of BBC Television's new drama series Nancy Astor held in aid of the English-Speaking Union at the American Embassy last night.

Stratford ballet cancelled

Sadler's Wells Royal Ballet has had to cancel the third week of its tour, which was due to begin on February 8 at the Royal Shakespeare Theatre, Stratford-on-Avon, because of a continuing dispute with the Musicians' Union over payments to the 46 members of the orchestra. Talks are continuing between the musicians and the company, but a spokesman for the ballet aid: "We do not think the

Talks are continuing between the musicians and the company, but a spokesman for the ballet said: "We do not think the musicians are justified in their cause. If we give in to them, other companies are going to face the same problems. I do not think there is enough money available to put them on a retainer." Union over payments to the 46 members of the orchestra.

The dispute has already meant the cancellation of performances in Glasgow and Leeds, but an official of the ballet said last night: "We hope a solution is found before the season at Sadler's Wells Theatre opening on February 23."

The musicians have gone on strike because they have been denied retainers for the periods when the ballet is on tour abroad without them. The matter came to a head after the ballet's for each tour that takes place.

By Christopher Warman Arts Correspondent

evening as a surprise?

Champion for UK chess tournament

By David Nicholson-Lord The organizers of the Phillips and Drew King's chess tournament have pulled off one of the chess coups of the year by securing the presence of Anatoly Karpov, the world champion, among the competitors. The tournament takes place in onder in April.

London in April.

Although Karpov, who last played tournament chess in Britain 11 years ago, will be the main attraction, the field is possibly the strongest ever assembled for a tournament in London and includes the second-London and includes the secondranked player in the world, Jan
Timman, of the Netherlands.
Boris Spassky, the former Soviet
world champion, and now ranked
sixth will also be there.
The tournament, first held in
1980, is sponsored by the city
stockbrokers Phillips and Drew,
in conjunction with the Greater
London Council. Mr Frank

In conjunction with the Greater London Council. Mr Frank Leonard, a partner in the firm, said a thrilling fortnight could be expected at County Hall from April 15 to the 30.

"This tournament will unquestionably be the greatest ever to be held in London", he added.

Karpov's last British tournament was at Hastings in 1971. Karpov's last British tournament was at Hastings in 1971, when he finished equal first with Victor Korchnoi, his most recent challenger for the world championship. Since then his appearances in Britain have been limited to a team event in 1973 and some televised chess, although he is classed as an active champion and plays outside the Soviet Union in at least two tournaments each year.

Although still meagre compared with tennis or snooker, the £12,500 prize money is described

A Swiss gold watch pre- The sale of clocks, watches leaf-carved borders, dated to sented by the Sultan of and scientific instruments around 1880, went for £1,375 Zanzibar to Mr James was 26 per cent unsold, The (estimate £200-£300) to A & F Robertson in the early 1920s high percentage largely re- Gordon while a gilt and patinated bronze console table supported by winged female terms made £1,265 (estimate £500-£800) to Sinai Antiques. The sale was 7 per £12,500 prize money is described as record-breaking. The winner will collect £3,500 and the runner-up £2,150

Birthdays today

Among the clocks offered in the same sale the top prices were secured by a Joseph Knibb walnut long-case dated to 1685-88 at bronze frieze and gilt-bronze frieze in winter" by Nina frieze frieze and gilt-bronze frieze in winter" by Nina frieze frieze and gilt-bronze frieze in winter" by Nina frieze frieze and gilt-bronze frieze in winter" by Nina frieze frieze and gilt-bronze frieze in winter by Nina frieze frieze and gilt-bronze frieze in winter by Nina frieze frieze and gilt-bronze frieze in winter by Nina frieze frieze and gilt-bronze frieze in winter by Nina frieze frieze and gilt-bronze frieze in winter by Nina frieze frieze and gilt-bronze frieze in winter by Nina frieze frieze and gilt-bronze frieze in winter by Nina frieze frieze and gilt-bronze frieze in winter by Nina frieze frieze and gilt-bronze frieze in winter by Nina frieze frieze and gilt-bronze frieze in winter by Nina frieze frieze and gilt-bronze frieze in winter by Nina frieze frieze and gilt-bronze frieze in winter by Nina frieze frieze and gilt-bronze frieze and gilt-br



Dr Hugh Sinclair, the nutritionist, who is 72.

Vice-Admiral Sir Peter Ashmore, 51; the Hon Sir Clive Bossom, 54; Dr P. E. Thompson Hancock, 78; Mr Robert Haslam, 59; Mr R. C. Hoban, 57; Mr Erich Leinsdorf, 70; Lord Shawcross, QC, 80; Dame Mabel Tylecote, 85.

25 years ago From The Times of Saturday February 2 1957

Students to be released Vienna, Feb 1.—The four young Britons who have been imprisoned in Hungary on charges of espionage are to be released and are due to arrive at Heygeshalom, on the Hungarian side of the border at I pm tomorrow. Officials of the British Embassy in Vienna will meet them at Nickelsdorf on the Austrian side. The Hungarian Foreign Ministry today delivered a Note to the British Legation in Budapest declaring that, in view of the student's youth and their Budapest declaring that, in view of the student's youth and their admission of guilt, and as a gesture of goodwill, the Hungarian Government had decided to expel them from the country. The Britons being released are: Miss Judith Cripps, of Somerville; Mr Roger Cooper, of St. John's; Mr Christopher Lord, of Magdalen, and Mr Rasil Lord. Magdelen, and Mr Basil Lord, or formerly of University College,

Latest appointments Latest appointments include: Sir Arthur Hockaday, Second Per-manent Under-Secretary of State at the Ministry of Defence, to be Secretary and Director-General of the Commonwealth War Graves Commission from October

in succession to Mr A. K. Pallot. Mr John Mackay, MP for Argyli, to be parliamentary private secretary to Mr George Younger, Secretary of State for Scotland.

Mrs Yvonne Conolly to be a member - of the Independent Broadcasting Authority.

Moreover ... Miles Kington

ask agonizing questions, such as: Should I be perusing more articles about sex? Is it a sign of immaturity not to want to write a book about sex? Have I proved an inadequate partner for the editor of The Sun? Oh God, do I really have to read Ulysses? To sort out just where you

Richmond police station in London, hopes to become a stand in all this, I have devised a short but instruc-tive test for readers. community liaison officer in an inner-city area.

"I want to see what the 1. How often do you read attitude to the police is in the West Indies, and whether we can articles about sex? a) Never.

b) Once or more a week. c) Once a month.d) When I get my hair cut. e) Only when the man next

worked their guts out.

2. In your mind's eye, how do you' visualize Mills and Boon, the romance publishers?

worked their guts out.
b) Welcome the chance to sensible guidelines about this sort of thing.

Your Score:

The public of Libya, where they have sensible guidelines about this sensible guidelines about this sort of thing.

Your Score:

a) As Cynthia Mills and Jocasta Boon, two beautiful ladies but untouchable.
b) As Nat Mills and Herbie Boon, car salesmen turned c) As a doctor called Mills

People today are increasingly, and a nurse called Boon.
being made to feel that their d) As a small tax-haven
sex-reading life is inadequate island in the West Indies.
and this is leading them to 3. What are your reactions c) I wonder if editors can be sued for contributory negli-6. You find an item in a newspaper headed: "Give Your Lover a Surprise When he Comes Round This Evenwhen you read a splash heading saying: "Exclusive: The Bed-time Secrets that Made My Marriage come Alive Again!"?

Alive Again!"?

a) So bingo didn't do the a) But I haven't got anything trick for circulation, then.
b) That reminds me - I
haven't changed the pillow
slips for three weeks. to wear!
b) Shooting is too good for him.
c) Not tonight. I have a bit of c) Either Times leaders have a headache.

gone down-market or I've bought the Daily Star by mistake.

7. You go out to buy a Sunday paper. Every placard for every paper announces: Sunday paper. Every placard for every paper announces: "Sex: Do We Read too Much 4. What would you do if your loved one came home and About it? Major new series." announced he'd bought What do you do? tickets for La Ronde that a) Take up golf. a) Take up golf.b) Go back to bed.

ing. Shoot Him!" What is

a) Look forward to a two-hour snooze while the actors d) Emigrate to Saudi Arabia worked their guts out. c) Shoot the paperseller. d) Emigrate to Saudi Arabia or Libya, where they have

5. What is your immediate article as soon as you saw response on reading yet what this one was about, well another piece about rape?. another piece about raper.

a) I am being forced to do something vile and unnative end, you have a problem.

Send for our Moreover b) I am probably secretly booklet "The Joy of Every-hilliary Attaché, Copen-he was later booklet "The Joy of Every-hagen, 1952-54. He command-1858.....

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OBITUARY

PROFESSOR M. S. JANOTA

Design and development of

turbochargers

Professor Marian Stefan
Janota, of the Mechanical
Engineering Department at
Queen Mary College, University of London, died on
January 30, after a short

Subsequently this work was
further extended to include automotive power plants. His
services were sought on a
worldwide basis as a professional consultant and as
an authoritative lecturer as

leading advocate of the new BEng four-year degree courses which involve industrial participation.

He was a very active Fellow of the Institution of Mechanical Engineers and Combustion Engine Group In 1973 the Institution awarded him the Harten Akroyd Stuart Prize.

Over the years his work was recognised with advanced degrees and promotions by Oueen Mary College and the University of London which culminated in the award of the DScffang degree in 1976 and the conferment of a Personal Professorship in 1978.

He had in conjunction with Dr N. Watson, very recently completed a country of chargers and turbocharging which is to be published by the content of the professorship in 1978. command. He studied at the Polish University College, London, where he qualified in 1951 in mechanical engineering.

He became a project designer and later Chief Performance Engineer at D. Napier and Son Ltd. where he worked on the design and development of turbo-chargers for marine diesel engines. In 1962 he joined the Mechanical Engineering

College and continued his studies and research on turbochargers. At the college he broadened his interests to include engine performance and combustion.

His systematic approach to the subject at a time when its chargers and turbecharging which is to be published later importance to industry was growing led to his research this year. He leaves a widow, Irene

being sponsored by government agencies and industry.

He leaves a widow, Irenment agencies and industry.

melt, saving great sums in costly virgin nickel, chis-

mium etc, alloys.

With steel nationalization and the withdrawal of John

Browns from steelmaking in

1951 he courageously accepted the managing director-

ship. He spent much time, both on day and night-shife, on the shop floor, were he was greatly respected, and introduced new forging and heat treatment methods. A.

mathematical approach to hydrogen diffusion in steel

provided precise programmer to ensure stability in large alternator rotors, and the foundation of a new home and export business in hardened steel rolls.

SIR CHARLES SYKES In 1944 he became Director of the Brown Firth Research Laboratories, Sheffield where he carried on the brilliant tradition of Dr. Hatfield, particularly encreep, heat resisting steels

Sir Charles Sykes, CBE, FRS, died on January 29 at the age of 77. Sir Eric Mensforth writes:

liness. He was 58.

Janota was born at Myslo-

During the Second World War he served in the Polish

Armed Forces under British

Department at Queen Mary

Charles Sykes epitomised industry's crying need, the coupling of intellectual brilindustry's crying need, the coupling of intellectual brilliance with practical nous. He had down to earth was one who was willing to grapple with superficially uninviting and dirty shop floor problems and processes.

He was educated in the industrial environment of Staveley, at Netherthorpe creep, heat resisting steels creep, heat resisting steels and gas turbine components; He had down to earth and gas turbine components; He industrial environment of Staveley, at Netherthorpe Grammar School. He studied metallurgy, proceeding to his Doctorate at Sheffield Uni-versity. Later he served as Pro-Chancellor, winning the respect of the academics by his wisdom and his affinity

with their subjects.
Crossing the Pennines he
joined the Research Department of Metropolitan Vickers
Electrical Co Ltd. Work at
Sheffield University by Alliborne led to the development by Metropolitan Vickers of the first vacuum H.F. furnace, on which Sykes carried out research on Zirconium alloys. He was responsible for the crystallographic work which led to the first continuously evacuated X-Ray

He was a man of few words, but those who thought him slow soon lagnt In 1930 he discovered the "order-disorder transforma-tion"of atoms in alloy systheir mistake. He received a CBE in 1956, a knighthood in 1964, the Bessemer Gold-Medal in 1956 and the Glazebrook Medal and Priss in 1957.

In 1940 he joined the National Physical Labora- Glazebrook Medel and Priss tory. He was elected FRS. in in 1967. 1943. His obstinate persever- With Norah his wife he was ance produced the tungsten a regular country walker. In carbide, "sabot", armour retirement he became a keep piercing shot which was gardener, using however an significant in defeating the awesome variety of his soft-in-law's chemicals.

MR CYRIL GOURLEY

Mr Cyril Edward Gourley, one flank, and though VC, MM, who died on plagued by snipers, Gourley January 30 at the age of 88, kept one gun going practi-won the Victoria Cross in cally throughout a day. France in 1918 when serving the Royal always returned with as a sergeant in the Royal Field Artillery, TF.

He was born on January 19, 1893 at Wavertree, Liver-pool, and educated at Calday Grammar School and Liverpool University whence he graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Commercial science. He joined the Royal Field Artillery, TF in May 1914 and went to France in 1915. He won a Military Medal in 1917.

always returned ammunition, laying and fir-ing the gun himself and taking first one and then another of the detachment

help him.

During one point in an enemy advance he pulled his gun out of the pit and engaged a machine gun at 500 yards knocking it out with a direct hit. In the words of the citation: "All day he held the enemy in check, firing with Medal in 1917.

He won his Victoria Cross in the year following when in command of a section of howitzers. During an enemy advance when their forces were closing in front and on RFA.

MR JUNZO OHNOKI

Mr Junzo Ohnoki, who was president and publisher of Japan's leading economic journal, the Nihon Keizai Shimbun, died in a Tokyo hospital on January 25. He was 70. Ohnoki was also chairman of the Japan news-papers and publishers associ-

He was born in Shizuoka preside Prefecture in central Japan office in 1911 and after graduating 1976. from Waseda University in 1934 joined the Chugai promoting the idea of gas Shoguo Shimpo, the forerunner of the Nihon Keizai Journal, the internation Shimbun (NHK). He subsequently covered the pacific NHK.

dent in Singapore. Obnoki later travelled to the United States to report on the signing of the San Francisco peace treaty in 1951.

He subsequently served

NHK as a business manager and production manager and finally took over the post of president and chief executive officer of the company in He played a major role in

war as the NHK correspon

promoting the idea of publishing the Japan Economic Journal, the international

SIR T. SPENSER-WILKINSON

Sir Thomas Spenser-Wilk- Chief Legal Adviser. Civil inson, who was Chief Justice Affairs, British Administration of Nyasaland from 1956 to tration, Malaya, 1945 46 and 1962, died on January 28 at in the latter year was made a the age of 82. the age of 82.
The son of Henry SpenserWilkinson, he was born on
September 28, 1899 and Appeals Tribunal, Liverpediants educated at the RN Colleges, He married in 1938 Betty Osborne and Dartmouth and Magaret, only daughter of Dartmouth and Balliol College, Oxford. He A. Horner. They had a son saw service in the Navy in and a daughter. His wife died both world wars. He was in 1980.

COLONEL H. R. GRACE

and RMC Sandhurst he was a Deputy L
PoW during the Second for Kent
World War and was later

Colonel Hugh Raymond ed the 1st Battalion. The Grace, OBE, DL, late The Buffs from 1954 to 1957. Buffs, died on February 2 at Afreca retiring he was region to a second of 70. the age of 70.

Educated at Mariborough and RMC Sandhurst he was a Deputy Lieutenant and a JP

He was appointed OBE in

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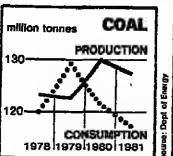
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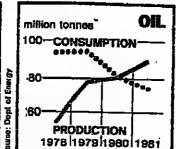
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BUSINESS NEWS

N Sea oil surplus



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The United Kingdom produced 20 per cent more oil last year than it consumed according to the Department of Energy. While output increased from 80.4 million to 89.3 million tonnes, oil demand slumped by 7.7 per cent from 80.8 million to 75.5 million tonnes. Coal output also fell by 1.7 per cent from 130.1 million tonnes to 127.6 million tonnes. But demand dropped to from 120.9 million tonnes to 117.7 million tonnes, leaving a 10 million tonne

Unilever's office sale

Unilever hopes to raise £28m of the £37m it is paying for the renovation and extension of Unilever House by the sale of three interlinked City office buildings near Blackfriars Bridge near London. Two institutions are negotiating with Unilever — one for Kildare House with a £11m price for the freehold and a second for all three

New docks directors

The loss-making Mersey Docks and Harbour Company, continuing its streamlining policy to achieve financial stability by the end of this year, yesterday announced the appointment of three new directors, all from within the Port of Liverpool. Director of the stevedoring operation is Mr Frank Major: personnel director is Mr Bernard Cliff; and Mr Trevor Furlong is to take up the key post of port services director.

Garrard switches to Amazon

Record turntables bearing the famous British name of Garrard will not be made in this country after April Gradiente Electronica, the Brazilian company which bought Garrard from Plessey in 1979, is to close down its Swindon factory, with the loss of 180 jobs, and transfer production to the parent plant at Maneus in the Amazon jungle. A Garrard spokesman jungle. A Garrard spokesman said sales were too low to justify continued manufactur-

£79,000 payout

Tate & Lyle's annual report revails £79,000 compensation has been paid to Mr Colin Lyle, who stepped down as executive director last year. He retired early as part of management changes but remains a non-executive

• Higher grants and more tax relief to encourage housebuilding were urged on the Chancellor of the Exchequer yesterday by building industry leaders.

MARKET SUMMARY

All eyes on interest rates

LONDON EXCHANGE

FT Index 578.0 up 7.0 **Bargains 21,168**

The interest raise war currently taking place across the Atlantic remained the dominant factor yesterday. The market experiyesterday. The marker experi-enced a renewed aurge of confidence in the wake of the Bank of England's relaxed attitude to higher US prime rates and Mr Donald Regan's confir-mation that the latest hiccup in

As a result the pound perked up with gifts recovering from a hesitant start to close with gains of up to 121 %. At the shorter end, the pace was a fittle slower with rises restricted to 12 %. Equities followed suit with the FT Index rising 7.0 to 578.0, having been 8.8 at 3pm.

Many of the blue chips came in for special attention with the jobbers, short of sellers, forced to

push prices sharply higher.

Barclays Bank was an early feature on fears of a rights issue that materialized as a £100m loan stock paying 16 per cent over 20 years which added 10p to the

price at 468p. Great Northern Investment Trust spurted 6p to 160p amid company saw the price slip to close only 2p higher at 156p. However, the rumour that one of e banks might move to bid for a A large seller of Allied Lyona yesterday struggled to dispose of

850,000 shares at 80p. The price closed 2½p higher at 79½p.

Arthur Guinness rose 3p to 75p shead of today's annual meeting. Shareholders will be lold that substantial progress has been made by the group to sell off its Carland & Bowser

confectionary subsidiary.

Brokers Simon & Coates remain strong bulls of Chubb, the security group, where hopes of a bid continue to grow. Analysts have upgrading estimates have been upgrading estimates for a year to March from 29,5m to £15m, although these should include write-offs for various closures amounting to £4m. The ahares rose 60 to 106p.

Scottish Metropolitan Property was unchanged at 91p.after Scottish Equitable Life acquired an 8.75 per cent stake in exchange for four investment properties worth £6.9m.
Normand Electrical returned

from its brief suspension 11p higher at 52p after a £5m bid from P. C. Henderson, the garage and sliding door manufacturer.

Muirhead advanced Bp to 132p amid hopes of full bid from the United States Tyco Laboratories, currently holding 22.8 per cent of the shares, white hopes of a counterbid from International Paint boosted Arthur Holden Sp Speculators were out in force for Empire Stores (Bradford) where the price rose 12p to 90p

in a thin market. The price has risen from 66p in recent weeks helped by reports of heavy buying of the shares by charitable trusts. EXCO international has increased its stake in Epsley Tyas (Scandinavia) to 75 per cent and celebrated the news with a 5p

Equity turnover on February 2. was £144.475m (18,573 bar-

OTHER EXCHANGES

Hongkong: Hang Seng Index

Tokyo: Nikkei Dow Jones Index 7,860.94 up 32.94

CURRENCIES

The dollar firmed yesterday

afternoon, after showing some early weakness. It was helped by a slightly higher Federal Fund

LONDON CLOSE

\$1,8600 down 35 points

Index 91.8 down 0.1

Index 111.4 up 0.3

DM 2.3570 up 70pts

\$378.25 down \$2.25

Domestic rates:

Base rates 14%

Euro-currency rates:

3 month dollar 15%-15%

3 month Fr F 151316-151118

3 month DM 10%-10%

MONEY MARKETS

@ The atmosphere was more

relaxed with money flows roughly

in balance. The Bank bought £23m of bills at unchanged rates.

3-month interbank 14%-14%

STERLING

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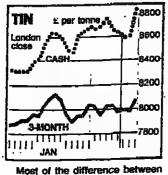
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1,384.15 down 6.0

Michael Clark

COMMODITIES

• On the first day of the new £120 premium limit, cash tin prices rose £235 to a record £8,835 a tonne. Dealers said that a buyer of the last seven months, who has accumulated substantial tin stocks, retrained from offering tin for immediate delivery and so the price was squeezed. Three-month tin closed at £8,077, up



prices for immediate and threemonth delivery is concentrated in the last week of February when the contracts of speculators who vent short in November tall due. There is now concern that delayed tin shipments will leave the market short of physical tin at the end of the month.

TODAY

Public sector borrowing requirement and details of local authority borrowing for fourth quarter Farm and steel exports telks,

Barclays issues £100m bond for expansion

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By Peter Wilson Smith, Banking Correspondent

Barclays Bank is raising £100m with the largest issue ever on the United Kingdom

bond market by a private sector borrower.

Barclays, the biggest of the four United Kingdom clearing banks and the most profitable bank in the world, will use the £100m to finance expansion. It is raising the money from city institutions through a placing of 16 per cent unsecured loan stock 2002/2007 at par. The issue is the first sizely appropriate band from

sizable corporate bond from a United Kingdom borrower since the early seventies.

The corporate bond market used to be an important source of long-term finance for companies in the United Kingdom but it dried up in the early 1970s as interest money. They have since relied much more on bank

borrowings.

Some market analysts were surprised that Barclays was prepared to pay such a high price to borrow money. They do not expect a flood of other companies to follow Bar-Clays.
The issue was arranged by Barclays Merchant Bank and brokers to the issue

are Pember & Boyle and Cazenove & Co.

Barclays said that the money was not earmarked for any particular purpose but would strengthen its capital base so it could continue to grow. It would also further diversify its sources of capital. Last year it raised \$100m in the United States by issuing capital

the stock brokers to the issue

notes.
Mr Frank Dolling, group vice-chairman, said: "We see rates rose and companies the need to keep our capital became reluctant to commit base strong. There was a themselves to paying high very considerable balance rates of interest on long-term sheet growth in 1981 and we money. They have since expect to see growth in 1982, relied much more on bank The issue of loan stock is partly paid with £25 due on

February 9 and the balance by April 30. Barclays considered other altrnatives, including a rights issue, but decided against that because of the discount its shares trade on compared with net asset value. Shares in Barclays rose 10p to 468p

Mr Dolling said that the fact the bank was raising long-term money at 16 per cent did not imply anything about what it thought might happen to interest rates.

Interest on the loan stock is payable by equal half-yearly installments on May 15
and November 15 in each
year, except that the first
payment will be made on
November 15, 1982 and will
amount to 59 60 (less income amount to £9.60 (less income tax) per £100 nominal of

The last big sterling cor-porate bond issue came from Inco, the leading Canadian nickel company, which raised £25m in 1981.



Roger Leek, Kodak's marketing director with the new compact camera and film

Kodak unveils disc-film camera

Kodak yesterday unveiled a micro-processor controlled nine years' research, will be camera whose film is contained on a rotating disc and which the company believes is the most significant advance in amateur photography in the past 20 years.

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Ian Irving — an interesting challenge

Accountant to run **Express** Newspapers

By Philip Robinson

Mr Ian Irvine, an accountant with no previous newspaper industry experience, will run Express Newspapers when it is floated off later this month as Fleet Holdings with other publishing inter-ests of its parent company, Trafalgar House.

It is not yet clear whether Trafalgar's 50 per cent ownership of London's evening newspaper, The Stan-dard, will be part of Fleet. The other half is held by arch

The other half is held by arch rivals, Lord Rothermere's Associated Newspapers, which is believed to be objecting to the plan.

Mr Irvine, 45, was approached last month. He resigned after 20 years with the accounting firm of Touche Ross on Sunday night and now occupies an office on the sixth floor of Max Aitken House. Max Aitken House.

Mr Irvine's appointment as chief executive and managing director of Fleet was an-nounced yesterday.

The formal prospectus for Fleet could be out next week,

although a decision has yet to be taken on whether it will include a profits forecast. It is believed that a forecast was behind the sudden departure last November of Express Newspaper's manag-ing director, Mr Jocelyn

It has been reported that Mr Stevens's agreed depar-ture sum was around £130,000.

to in the prospectus. As a senior accountant who has written two Department of Trade reports — on Roadships and on Court Line

Export claims jump to £288m

ECGD accounts questioned

By Peter Wilson-Smith

The troubled Export Cre- decide if they qualify the

"ECGD's ability to continue nearly £800m over the last to fulfil its two duties, of four year's and this has giving exporters the service they need without making a call on taxpayers money, now are called the department's cash reserves.

Because of the difficulties in the case of the d

call on taxpayers money, now hangs in very fine balance."

The possibility of the ECGD's accounts being qualified is disclosed in Accountancy Age which quotes a spokesman for the Exchequer and Audit Department as saying that it quald almost certainly qualify the accounts on two or three aspects and would be submitting an extensive report to parliament.

A spokesman for Exchequeral Because of the difficulties in ensuring an adequate level of reserves in line with the targets set for the ECGD, talks have been going on with the Treasury to try and arrive at more satisfactory targets.

One of the ECGD's problems is that a large part of its reserves, take the form of blocked loans which are due from overseas. Its actual cash provisions available to meet claims stands at about

The troubled Export Credits Guarantee Department (ECGD) may have its accounts qualified by the Exchequer and Audit Department which examines the accounts of all Government bodies.

The ECGD has been in difficulty for some time because of the record level of claims it has been having to pay out as a result of the recession and political upheavals in various parts of

heavals in various parts of the world.

Mr Kenneth Taylor, secretary of ECGD, gave a warning in December that the department might not be able to continue insuring British exports without Government subsidy.

Announcing trading results for 1980-81 he said: "ECGD's ability to continue to the last total ECGD has paid out mearly £800m over the last results for the last total ECGD has paid out mearly £800m over the last

A spokesman for Exchequerer and Audit Department to 1450m.

Orders overwhelm TV computer firm

By Bill Johnstone

A company manufacturing personal computers especially for a BBC TV educational series has been overwhelmed by orders. It already has a backlog of 12,000 orders and is answering more than 1,000 enquiries a day.

The company, Acorn Computers, of Cambridge, is expecting an even greater transmissions for schools and colleges on January 11. It is intended to give non-specialist an appreciation of microcomputers.

The ten programmes, twenty five minutes long, will be broadcast on Sunday mornings from February 14 and on Monday evenings from March 22.

expecting an even greater demand when the series, The Computer Programme, is repeated for general viewers

specfications, one now costing £299 and the other, with more features, costing £100 more: The company said yester-

day that the increase was due partly to over optimistic pricing when the computers were costed six months age and partly to the cost of answering enquiries by post. Mr Christopher Curry, the managing director, said: "The machine was developed

very rapidly and only now are we approaching full volume producton. The original pricing structure has pproved to be too optimistic, given the need for particularly rigorous procedures and various increases in component costs".
The programn programme

March 22

The project has had its share of problems. The BBC has been severly criticized for underestimating response This is despite the fact that to the series and for launch-Acour raised the price of the ing it before a proper supply — he is expected to earn in mocrocomputer by more than of computers was available. E65 two days ago. There are Acorn is confident that the have held up production of the machines have been

According Acorn the custom chips made for the company presented teething problems which contributed to the original production targets slipping. More then 4,000 of the computers have been manufactured and dispatched. They were made for Acorn by Cleartone in South Wales and ICL will begin producing the machine within several days. By March, the output from both factories should total about 5,000 a month.

them expected to be cleared. The 12,000 customers who have already placed orders will not be charged the

At a meeting of the National Economic Development Council, Mrs Thatcher stressed the Government's desire to see only a "gentie" Mr Murray and his colforeign investment review eagues contented themselves Industry.

By Edward Townsend, Industrial Correspondent

Thatcher rules out reflationary Budget

The Prime Minister gave a clear indication to employers' and union leaders yesterday Britain of inward and outthat next month's Budget would not contain large reflationary measure stimulate the economy. measures to

take-off in the economy. submission from the TUC delegation, led by Mr Len Murray, the general sec-retary, that because of lack

Government support for industry, economic upturn could create severe bottlenecks in sectors which had run down their capacity.

The discussion, which centred on the effects to came after contrasting eco nomic proposals this week from the TUC and the Confederation of British

The employers want Sir Geoffrey Howe's Budget to include a £1,800m package of measures aimed particularly at increasing competitiveness and reducing business costs The unions are seeking the adoption of reflationary measures costing £8,300m and based on a new tripartite national economic assess-

Yesterday's NEDC meeting

Mr Biffen: a warning of

am thinking of the field of

pulic purchases from the British aerospace industry.

The sale of a BA-146 would

have a substantial effect," he

He admitted he had no

indications that the Japanese

would make any substantial

purchases from the British

Aerospace industry in the near future. "But I found a

sharp awareness during every meeting that the trade

gap is causing international

anxieties, and there is a need to reduce it," he said.

pointed out.

with the TUC in particular not taking the opportunity of Mrs Thatcher's presence to complain about the Govern-ment's overall policies or the high level of unemployment.

with presenting a paper in which they pointed out the dangers to the country of a big rise in United Kingdom portfolio investments abroad which has occurred since the abolition of exchange con-

These had risen from £909m in 1979 to £2,920m in the first 9 months of last year, said the TUC, while inward portfolio investments was surprisingly low key, fell by 50 per cent in 1980.

The TUC said financial institutions had been switching away from purchase of United Kingdom equities. Sir Geoffrey, who dis-agreed with the TUC that a

agency was needed, said that most direct investment overseas had been little affected by the ending of exchange controls. The net effect of the increase in outward portfolio

investments had been to keep down the rise in the sterling exchange rate in 1980-81 with a marginal upward impact on nterest rates. At the same time, the nation was building up important overseas earnings.

Imports problems lead to growing pressure for trade protectionism

Buy British, Biffen tells Japan

From Peter Hazelhurst, Tokyo, Feb 3
Mr John Biffen, Secretary
of State for Trade, declared
her today that serious demand for some form of
protectionism might soon
grow in the United Kingdom if Japan does not take steps to reduce its lop-sided trade The British minister, who

is visiting Tokyo for the first time, went on to suggest that the Japanese government could ease trade frictions in the area of public purchases by importing defence and aerospace equipment from He also implied that the

Western trading partners do not believe the the latest Japanese measures to liberalize import procedures and reduce tariffs on 1,652 items will help reduce Tokyo's growing trade surplus. We will have to see if it works. The Japanese govern-

ment thinks it is important

but I have not met anyone who thinks that it will have

an impact", Mr Biffen de-

clared. He warned the Japanese government that there could e serious consequences if the current trend in trade is not rectified within a year.

During his two-day visit, when he met government and business leaders, the Trade Secretary sought assurances that Japan would continue to curb the flow of sensitive Mr Biffen admitted, however, that "nothing is going to be done which will have a export items, such as cars. 'My observations were received politely, but there was no further discussion beyond the normal courtesies," he quick effect on the deficit. "But the Japanese govern-ment could make a token symbol to ease the friction. I

US steel men lobby for quotas From Bailey Morris Washington, Jan 3

United States steelmakers are increasingly pressing the Reagan Administration to negotiate country-by-country quotas on steel imports from Europe to restrict supplies

A growing number of big United States steel company executives favour the imposition of quotas as the best way to settle the massive number of anti-dumping and countervailing duty cases filed against producers in eight European countries. The steel executives, confi-

dent of their ability to win a favourable ruling from the United States International Trade Commission, expect the European Community to press the Administration for a settlment before the ITC's final ruling. This is the reason why

American companies have developed a fallback position on a proposed settlement heavily weighted toward restrictive quotas, it is underrepresenting Lawvers United States producers have seized upon a provision of the law governing the use of

subsidies which contains an

amelioration clause which they claim, allows the impo-

sition of quantitative re-

straints. Some companies have already informed the Administ-ration they will not accept a return to the old trigger price mechanism used to centrol the flow of steel into America by setting a mini-mum, allowable price on

They claimed they were forced to file more than 100 forced to the more than hot complaints alleging injury because European companies ignored promises to abide by the trigger price and began flooding United States markets with low-priced, subsidized seed. This is why neither the

trigger price mechanism nor another form of price assur-ance from the European Community is acceptable to American producers in settle-ment of the cases, congressional sources said.
"They want something harder," a lawyer for a large company said. He went on that the past record of steel cases before the ITC and the Commerce Department late last year and in 1980 supports the industry's view that it is likely to receive favourable

If this happens, European imports might be priced out of the United States market because of the imposition of additional, punitive duties ranging from \$50 a ton to \$300 a ton. The impact on the economies of some countries could be disastrous.

To prevent this, the Administration is attempting to develop a fallback position on steel settlement with the European Community, which considers the current flood of cases as nothing less than

Officials fro both sides are expected to discuss steel and the settlement proposals during the two days of highlevel trade talks which begin in Washington on Monday.



Thumbs up for Ansbacher ... Thumbs down for Burmah

Scepticism takes a bank holiday

It's a strange assumption in the stock market that, when a bank decides to do a deal, it must automatically have the money. The scepticism which greets all such announcements in the industrial sector is somehow suspended when the action takes place closer to home (Anthony Hilton writes).

For that, if for no other reason, the small City merchant bank of Henry Ansbacher deserves some attention. Late last Friday it amounced that it was having talks with Seascope Holdings an obscure but highly successful financial group with interests among other things as a broker in among other things as a broker in insurance and shipping.

Since then Ansbacher shares,

which were already highly rated relative to the other banks, have moved still higher. The market is plainly putting its seal of approval on a deal although the impli-cations of it are still unknown to all, except perhaps the directors and advisers to both groups. But the market is treading in

dangerous ground, because the most cursory examination of the belance sheets of both companies, or even the most superficial examination of the profits of both companies shows that it is a massive bite for the small bank.

Whatever the benefits of the deal in the longer term, and

whatever the coherance of the strategy mapped out for the small bank by Mr Charles Williams, former price commission chief, who is now its chief executive, the immediate problem facing the group must surely be how it pays for the deal.

The cash is not there in the balance sheet even if it were desirable that such a deal be done for cash, and that implies that there must be a rights issue underway, either immediately, or in the near future. And wonders if the bulls are really prepared to put substantially more their money where their

Such reasoning must only be guesswork of course, and Mr Williams and his colleagues pre-sumably would not have gone this far without being confident they

But the fact remains that until these issues are resolved the full implications of the deal cannot be known, and there is a danger of a false market in the shares.

If this was not apparent to the Stock Exchange last Friday it ought to be by now. The shares should have been as pended then, and at the risk of shutting the stable door rather late in the day, they ought to be suspended now. This is not to suggest that there

is anything wrong with the deal, or indeed the strategy. The name of the game for small merchant banks has changed now there are no longer hoardes of small companies waiting to come to



Charles Williams, chief executive of Ansbacher

Confusion over Croda

Croda International is worth more than Burmah Oil is currently bidding (Sally White writes). That is what the share price in the market has been saying consist-ently, and that is what the many shareholders are pushing for. "Burmah should not be able to pick up Croda for 70p. It will not pay as much as 90p, but it might have to pay 80p", one of the shareholders said yesterday.



Burmah's quarry

As against the offer price of 70p and 48p for the ordinary and deferred shares, the price in the market yesterday was 4p better. An extraordinary general meeting of Burmah yesterday sanctioned the bid for Croda. Time is drawing on on this bid, as today is the first

Confusion is still reigning over the bid. Burmah said it wanted Croda for the speciality chemical side. It would market the products through its Castrol network. But speciality chemicals are a small part of Croda, although a growing

Even Burmah followers say that

it would be picking up Croda cheaply, however curious they regard the Burmah board's ration-

The other question mark is the fact that Burmah has announced that it is selling Quinton Hazell, its automotive component side. But by announcing this in the midst of its bid for Croda, it is making itself look a forced seller, giving the negotiation advantage to any potential buyer.

Lastly, there is still the matter of how Burmah will fund all this — not a problem for Croda shareholders, but a worry to those left holding Burmah.

Prudent work by the Pru

Successful investment is all timing. The Pru comes out top for long-term performance in a survey of investment performance over 1972-1981 of Life Office Managed Funds for pension schemes published by MPA. It has been sitting on a lot of property for many years, and the bom property years of 1972/3 gave it a head start against the competition (Sally White writes)

The point about timing also comes out in Phillips & Drew's survey of pension funds. Property does well in boom times, equities do well in anticipation of a recovery from recession, and gilts do badly when interest rates are rising.
It is important to know which

way these monolithic investors are jumping - privately administred pension funds have grown from £25,000m to £55,000m in the last four years, which is quite a

splash in any financial centre.

P & D's survey says that, in general, equity earnings and dividends are shown to have grown closely in line with retail prices - a trend it expects to continue. Last year, according to MPA, the best performance on its survey was an average of 22.8 per cent on overseas funds.

On a five-year view, the Life Office Managed Funds beat inflation. On the 1972-1981 basis no type of investment and no managed fund kept up with the rise in living costs.

McKAY SECURITIES

Profits doubled

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SAUDI ARARIA

Saudi Arabia's oil production fell from its official cerimo of 8.5 million barrels a day in just under 8 million barrels day last month, oil industry sources reported yesterday. The fall is unlikely to be sufficient to offset the rintinuing world oil glut. Wife Saudi Arabian crude trading on the "spot" market yester day at a full dollar below to official \$34 a barrel benefit mark, Saudi Arabia is mark mounting pressure other Opec members to

TURKEY

Turkey may enter Euromarkets to raise about \$500m project finance land this year, Mr Ruegut OSE the country's Deputy Praise Minister, said in Daws Switzerland.

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S AFRICA

South African Breweries the country's second larged industrial company, his bought 38 per cent of Edgars
South Arrica's biggest clothing retail chain. The brewers
recently bought control of
Scotts Stores, a Durbanbased clothing and shan
retail chain and manifair turers.

Witwatersrand Nigel said in Johannesburg it is in curtail gold mining operations immediately, so balance can be achieved. between income and expenditure. The company such because of the depressed gold price it is impossible of forecast the length of times before total closure.

NIGERIA

Nigeria's ambitious plans in develop a \$14,000m (£7,500m) liquefied natural gas plant collapsed yesterday when Western oil companies in the Bonny LNG project consistium pulled out and the partnership company was the company of the construction of the company was the company of the company was the company of the company of the company was the company of the compa partnership company was partnership company was partnership company was partnership company was partnership companies, including British. Petroleum, Shell, Elf ass. Agip, blamed overcapecity in the European and United States gas markets for the collapse of the project.

S KOREA

South Korea's deficits with most leading trading parents a record high. The biggest loss was with Japan, which amounted to \$2.93 billion up 3.9 per cent from a ye earlier.

UNITED STATES

Gross United States imports barrels a day for the four weeks ended January 22 —at 18.6 per cent drop from the

ITALY

An Italian industrial consor-tium has begun a feasibily study to build an almanaus plant in Mosambique wort up to \$700m, the Fata-holder group which leads the con

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WALL STREET

New York, Feb 3.-Stocks declined substantially amid con-tinuing concerns that the Federal Reserve is lightening monetary policy, which could push interest

The Dow Jones industrial average fell 7.52 to 845.03, with most of the drops coming in the

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attempon. Declines led advances by around 330 to 550 and volume widened to some 50 million shares from 45.02 million yesterday. Analysts attributed the market's

weakness to a dip in the bond market and a rise in the closely watched Federal Funds Rate to a high of 17 ages and the second high of 17 per cent from 15% per high or 17 per source or yesterday.

The Federal Funds Rate, on overnight loans between banks, is a partic on Wednesdays.

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Mr Stuart Cameran, chairman, said the results were a reasonable achievement in a difficult trading environment, but had not kept pace with inflation. Two main brands, Silk Cut and Benson and Hedges Special Filter, retained their positions as

Estimates of the total

GALLAHER

Failing to match inflation

Gallaher Britain's second largest cigarette
manufacturer whose brands
include Silk Cut and Benson
and Hedges, managed only a
marginal profits increase for the year to December. Pretax profits rose from £80.1m to £80.4m, sales grew 5 per cent from £1,835m to £1,928m, though tobacco sales rose 10 per cent to £1,483m.

BIDS AND DEALS

Munton Brothers is to buy

further 25 per cent of Astley and

£738,000 cash, bringing its holding in Astley to 77 per cent.

Latest results

Liliygould, manufacturers ladies' blouses, for £250,000 in

market Gallaher has held its 29 per cent stake, despite a 15 per cent market drop in sales

Tobacco sales were bol-stered by good performances in roll-your-own, pipe tobac-co and cigars. Overseas sales increased as a result of a good performance from the Dutch aubsidiary, Niemeyer. Non-tobacco Non-tobacco operations, including the recently acquired Ofrex office equipment group, contributed 24 per cent of profits. The company says it expects this to grow substantially in 1982.

The distribution side of the husiness raised appoints from operations.

business raised profits from £6.1m to £10.1m as a result of increased productivity. But the Optical and Pumps and Valves divisions both saw profits decline. A fall in consumer spending on spec-tacles was responsible in Opticals, and a reorganiza-tion has been made at Pumps and Valves. Two and a half month's trading from Ofrex brought sales of £10m and profits of £0.5m.

Mr Cameron said this provided an excellent base

Consideration: £190,000, of which £140,000 was paid at

The Bellx Company: The management team of the Bellx Company has succeeded in the management buy-out of the

company from its previous owners, Filac Holdings, with the

principal customer

show for future growth. Gallaher 29 per which is part of American 15 per Brands, the United States conglomerate, reduced its dividend pay-out from £27m to £15m.

P C HENDERSON Normand bid

An agreed offer worth nearly £5m has been made by industrial door manufacture P C Henderson for Normand Electrical Holdings, a manufacturer of electric motors and gearboxes.

The fastest growing sector of Henderson's business is electrical industries and residential doors and the group sees the acquisition of Normand as a chance to broader its technical base.

Normand, which is fore casting losses for the current year, will continue to train undr its own name and will become a division of Henderson to which it is at present a supplier. It employees some 700 people in the UK.

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acquisition of Tharene, makers Trust and now faces 1982 with

Acceptances representing 50.2 per cent of the capital of Normand have been received. Henderson is offering eight new ordinary shares and 420.5p in cash for every 29 Normand 20p shares. These have come principally from the directors, who control 27.7 per cent of the shares, and Throgmorton Investment Management, which has a 21.4 per cent stake. On the basis of the market

value of Henderson immediately before the offer of 147p, it placed a value of 55p on each Normand share and valued the group as a whole Henderson hopes to com-

bine the engineering strength of Normand with its world-wide sales and distribution network and to use spare capacity to manufacture machined and cast components at present subcontracted.

News of the takeover saw Normand shares return from suspension 12p higher at 53p, while Henderson rose 3p to 150p.

business was acquired for £500,000, and although the

£500,000 purchase price, was

undertaken by the company's

the money was

Pretax profits rose to £823,000 compared with £823,000 compared with £535,000 last time and the

half-time gross dividend is being held at 1.92p. Gross rents received Gross rents received totalled £1.5m against £1.23m. The group's attributable rofits were £325,000 against

E210,000 after charged on properties under development. Tax charges totalled £429,000 against £294,000.

The board, chaired by Mr G. McKay, says that the economic climate has meant duller lettings market than had been expected. But the group believes full year profits will be satisfactory. Last year the group made profits of £1.31m on gross rents of £2.75m.

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bankers. Williams and Glyn's

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CAPITAL MARKETS

zero-coupon Eurobond for Pepsico Inc, has been launched as expected with a 20.75 per cent price, the lead manager, Credit Suisse First Boston Ltd, said in London yesterday. Issued in the name of Pepsic

Capital Corp, the bond yields 14 per cent, and provides about \$26m, excluding commissions. Pepsico issued the first zerocoupon bond in the Euromarkets last June and issued a second one in January. Philip Morris: Philip Morris International Capital is raising a

the sole lead manager, Dresdner Bank, said in Frankfurt yesterday. Pricing for the bond guaranteed by Philip Morris Inc. is expected below par, but will be geared to market conditions at the signing, set for February February 1, 1987 at 102 and on

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February 1, 1988 at 101.

coupon is relatively low comconditions, partly because the borrower's infrequent appearance in the market makes it

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Report for the year to 31st December, 1981

Results (Unaudited)	1981	1980
Acsults (Chauditeu)	£ MILLION	£ MILLION
Group Sales .	1,928.7	1,835.8
Group Trading Profit	84.5	82.0
Interest Charges	4.1	1.9
Group Profit (before taxation)	80.4	80.1

Group

Home cigarette market down 12% but strong

Pumps and Valves

and reorganisation. Overseas companies did well.

Lower profits as a result of economic recession

raise profitability.

Trading profits up 3% on the 1980 level, helped by a marked improvement in the fourth quarter. Interest costs higher following acquisitions. Tobacco **Optical**

Gallaher cigarette brands, rising exports and Profits a little lower in the UK but progress good roll-your-own and cigar sales helped to made in Italy.

An excellent trading year for all companies, helped by improved productivity.

Consumer spending on spectacles was down.

Office Products Newly-acquired Ofrex contributed 21/2 months' profits. Company is confident of future growth.

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INTERNATIONAL MARKETS

Hamersley Holding of Australia reports it in 1981 net revenue lell from \$A548.09m to SA449.4m (about £266m), while consolidated net earnings slumped from *A57.17m to \$A17.22m (abort £10m). The board explains tt production was hit in the year by strikes, giving rise to a loss of 13.6 per cent in available manhours. The total dividend is being cut from 16 cents to 5 cents a share.

written to shareholders folk the closing of the partial offer for North Kaigurti by Australian Placer — wholly owned by Metals Exploration (MEL) which now has an interest of 35 per cent in North Kalgurli. Board has consistently stated its view that it is not in the interest of all shareholders in North Kalgurti that one minority holder should control the company.

MEL to seek a compromise whereby MEL, the largest shareholder, can participate in the direction of North Kalgurii's greement can be achieved. Shell Oil has reported that its earnings increased in both the

said the company earned U.S.\$458m (£246m) in the fourth quarter, an increase of \$49m from the same 1980 quarter. Net income for the full year was \$1,701m — \$159m higher then 1980. These preliminary results are subject to audit.

\$1.48 for the quarter and \$5.51 for the full year, compared to \$1,32 and \$4,99 for

North Kalgurli Mines: Mr. J.

The board therefore proposes enter into discussions with

President Mr John F. Bookout share earnings

Backwardations of any size

or duration are, therefore, unusual although not unknown. But since the end

of November, the London tin market has been subject to a

massive and sustained back-

wardation created by a mys-terious buyer or group of buyers who have pushed the price to about £2,000 a tonne

above what traders con-sidered is justified in the present market.

The buying is widely believed to have been coordi-

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PEOPLE

Can't hear you, Mr Poll

I scorn the gossip based on malice but what of the chatter prompted by caring? No fewer than 650 share-holders in Tring Hall Securities, which is run by Dennis Poll, aged 41, are among this second class, including the 35 institutions such as merchant banks and our big jobbing firms, who between them have already put up £3.8m through a public offering and subsequent cash calls.

City chat has it that Tring has spent its way through guarded principle of self-this money, and would like the same cash calls.

has spent its way through guarded principle of self-this money, and would like some more. Tring has done more than ayone else to make a go of the unlisted limit of £120 a tonne on the daily hackwardston in tip A securities set up by the stock daily backwardation in tin. A exchange as a nursery for backwardation — part of the small companies which cannot fulfil normal listing requirements. There is also dismay that newcomers have been commodity is higher than the cash price of a commodity is higher than wet their nappies by falling forward prices. The latter are down on their prospectus normally higher than cash or

forecasts.

Tring has not been improved insurance, financing mune. I wish I could bring and other costs. you word from young Mr Poll or his colleagues but alas! They are, day afterday. "in meetings". Still, I am comforted that Valin Pollen, their PR form, also have trouble in vaulting Tring's newly-built walls. Perhaps a lunch with all concerned will clear the air and I for one wish Tring a prosperous 1982.

USA's latest lunch counter

Are you taking your lunch to work today? If so, the contents are of great interest to David Lyon, founder of the "Brown Bag Institute" in they regard as unreasonable the United States.

He contends that there are members of the International

about 80 million Americans Tin Agreement; aggrieved at who do so. "And my institute the United States refusal to will study the habits and join the Sixth Agreement and idiosyncrasies of these eaters its decision to sell General and merchandise the results Services Administration tin to manufacturers who make surpluses; and anxious about lunch boxes and the things the implications of falling tin

that go in them," he said.

He is offering the research ment.

service at £11,000 a year, based on quarterly interviews have a with 1,000 'lunch makers and lunch eaters."

Three companies who have signed up are Nabisco's Planters division, which makes crisps and nuts; ITT Continental Baking, manucrase of cupcakes and Rich, a New York commodity firm registered in Switzerfacturers of cupcakes and bread; and King-Seeley Ther-mos Company, which makes the lunch boxes and thermos

jugs.
"Brown baggers," he says, "brown bag because of the need to economise, because they don't like the food sold



'Here's to an economy much blacker than it's painted'

Don't call us we'll call you

Anxious to stamp out tax evasion which is officially estimated to be robbing the state coffers of the equivalent of £1,500,000m a year. Greece's new finance minister, Manolis Drettakis, set up a special service in his ministry this week, and

invited citizens to call tele-phones 322 7002 or 322 5466 and denounce tax dodgers. Forty-eight hours and 200 brettakis was forced to announce that anonymous calls would no longer be accepted. Sixty calls, he said, were anonymous and therefore were disregarded.

Another 60 calls concerned insignificant cases, while 60 more denunciations were taken seriously and are being investigated. The minister said one concerned an Athens surgeon who had charged £290 for an oper-ation, but refused to give a

Ross Davies

APPOINTMENTS

Mr R. T. S.Russell, assistant managing director of Hep-worth (Retail), has been appointed managing director. He succeeds Mr Alex Pirie and Mr William Beasley, joint managing directors, who

have retired. Mr J. D. Anderson is to be senior assistant director, investment department of British Linen Bank. Mr J. D. McAinish will be senior assistant director, banking and commercial lendings; Mr Eric F. Sanderson will be assistant director, corporate finance department; and Mr Ian Kirkpatrick wil be assistant director, business devel-

opment department. Mr J. Ple, Mr J. W. Symons and Mr R. G. S. Forrester have been elected to the board of Gillette industries, and Mr C. Deering and Mr R. Derwent have been elected to the board of Gillette UK.

The mystery tin buyers who challenged the Metal Exchange

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Tin dealers in action at the London Metal Exchange

backwardation: spot prices are currently about £8,600 a tonne, while the three

nated by three leading tin producers — Malaysia, Indo-nesia and Thailand — with the first well to the fore. months price is around £7.900 a tonne. Up to this point, the LME - although a bit mystified by what was going on - did not interevene. Senior committee members repeatedly stressed that the buyers had broken no rules, they had not created a corner, and that it was a fundamental principle hat the market should be as tree from interference as possible. Thailand, Indonesia and Malaysia are reported to have discussed setting up a tin producers' cartel, but that prices for domestic employof course is outside the LME's remit. These countries seem to

have embarked on one of the most elaborate and expensive price-support operations the commodity markets have traders who had gone short firm registered in Switzer-land, and using Maclaine

Watson, a ring-dialing mem-ber of the LME, bought have. In this highly specula-forward contracts. Then in tive practice, a trader will November they changed tacless. But the sustained back-

wardation meant that as the

crucial dates of February 25

speculators faced huge losses. The LME committee began a round of personal discussions with LME members. The committee had Confidence was needed.

singly nervous as rumours ition of the shorts worse. It was not an easy decimal to which some speculators were liable.

Turmer and make the ition of the shorts worse. It was not an easy decimal to which some speculators however. In public private, LME officials

ation, they showed no sign of stopping. Industrial con-

complained that metal was being shipped across the Atlantic to London, where it commanded a higher price. LME tin stocks rose to almost 18,000 tonnes by the end of last week but by all accounts, warehouses in Brirain and northern Europe not registered with the LME are bulging with much more tin.

and 26 grew nearer, these In fact, it was the avail-speculators faced huge ability of tin which precipitated the crisis and prompted began a round of personal the LME to step in. Without biscussions with LME to deliver, the shorts were members. The committee bad two aims in mind: one was to ascertain how far member would have it, two shiploads firms were exposed and of tin have been delayed. The committee feared that in the losses: the other was to prevailing atmosphere and encourage the magic quality without amough tin, there of confidence.

Confidence

Confiden Dealers were growing increa further and make the pos-

It was not an easy decision, however. In public and private, LME officials were What then has apparently caused the LME committee, always a conservative body, least 50,000 tonnes — piled to change its mind? The up in warehouses as the stake nobody could ignore buyers bought everything the real risk that a combination of defaults, commercial discress, and continued cial distress, and continued unruffled buying by the during the switch of tactics stopping. Industrial conmysterious operators would in November. Going short is sumers of tin in America damage the reputation of the

LME. Some traders have gone so far as to say that manufacturing users of the market might desert it for

good.
The committee had, there fore, to choose between the evils of setting limits and of inaction. Mr Philip Smith, chairman of the LME board. is confident that the £120 ceiling and the pressure on members to keep the peace

will do the trick.

"I have a bet that the backwardation will be less than £120 on the day," he

According to the new "understanding", the maximum premium over the forward price which can be demanded by a seller of tin for delivery the next day is £120. This should reduce the losses faced by the shorts.
But much depends on whether those buying cash tin will accept the LME committee's authority. Last night, spot tin soared £215 a tonne to a record £8,835 a tonne as the buyers refrained from offering metal for immediate delivery. If the LME's strategy fails,

the damage to its authority could be immense. By default, the case for replacing self-regulation will be strengthened. The Bank of England, which has an informal watching brief over the commodity markets, may also suffer. Beyond that, the already strained relations between tin consumers and producers could be stretched again: there seems to be a glaring contradiction between Third World tin producers on the one hand wanting more comprehensive commodity agreements and on the other hand playing the market fiercely.

For whatever the outcome by the end of this month, the buyers had given no sign of leaving the market. On the contrary, the more they purchase and the higher they force up the price, the more they risk colossal loses if they stop. By exerting plenty of moral pressure on members and perhaps by wheeling new weapons up to the front the LME and self-regulation will probably live to fight another day. But with so powerful an agent in the market, that day may not be

Michael Prest

Business Editor

The German tightrope

If the possibility of American interest rates remaining high through the spring is worrying the British Government, then it is no less of a worry for the West Germans. That is even more the case after yesterday's news of a further sharp rise in the country's unemployment figures.

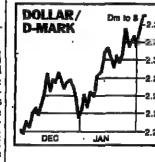
When the Bundesbank cut the special Lombard rate in mid-January, it may well have taken the view that both American interest rates and the dollar were due to fall during the coming months. Probably it still believes that, for all the signs at this stage are that none of the major European central banks are yet ready to be panicked by the latest American developments.

Let us hope it is right. The Germans economy is in as much need as any other of a boost from lower interest rates. Domestic actiity is stumbling and, the coalition government now looks set to open the fiscal regulator more than it intended.

Clearly, though, even the proposed fiscal expansion is going to be of only limited impact so long as real interest rates remain at 5 per cent plus. Yet the feeling that the Germans can go it alone regardless of what happens in the States lacks credibility, in spite of the prospect of a further strong improvement in the current account this year (perhaps with the total elimination of last year's DM17,500m deficit in prospect).

The fact of the matter is that with American real interest rates closer to 7 per cent, the markets are al-ready pushing the D-Mark lower. That is a process that may not go all that much further as markets increasingly look for somehing to happen to close the interest rate differential. Optimists must look for the closing of the differen-

tial to come from a speedy reversal of the recent upward flip in dollar inter-est rates. But if this week's American money supply figures disappoint yet again and Chancellor Schmidt happens to lose tommorow's vote of confidence, then next Monday could prove a very uncomfortable day for world markets. It could, of course, all happen the other way around.



Loan stocks Fine for banks

The United Kingdom corporate bond market has been lying virtually mori-bund since interest rates took off in the early 1970s, so it is ironical that a clearing bank—one of the main beneficiaries of high interest rates—should be interest rates—should be the first to re-enter the market in a significant way. Few industrial borrowers would dream of raising long-term fixed rate money at 16 per cent and it naturally prompts the question as to why Barclay's is prepared to, especially as its last public pronouncements on interest rates in the Barclays Review were for a general decline durng 1982.

Given the discount to assets which bank shares trade on-something more than a third in the case of Barclays—there are abvious attractions in raising loan stock rather than taking the usual course of calling on

ty. Furthermore, seen in terms of an 8 to 9 per cent average servicing cost on its loan capital—£432m at end 1981 compared with shareholders' funds a year earli-er of about £1,900m—the marginal cost of the loan stock issue is less signifi-

The third point is that the increased borrowing and lending which Barclays will be able to take on by gearing up on the new capital should generate profits enough to cover the cost of the new capital comfortably.

While all this helps to explain why Barclays itself is prepared to pay 16 per cent to raise £100m now. there is not much sign of anyone else rushing in its wake. But the pension funds and other institutions with long-term liabilities must be delighted at even this single offering.
The Barclays issue is not

only the first significant issue by a domestic borrower for more than 10 years, it is also the biggest yet in nominal terms, top-ping the £96m of 10½ per cent Imperial Group loan

For Barclays itself, the its regular capital raising. Last year it raised \$100m of capital notes on the United States market at 14% per cent. Aithough the group's capital base was strong enough at end-1980, the balance sheet has grown strongly since then, partly due to sterling's fall.

Productivity Better but . . .

Just at the moment when the Chancellor needs to see the picture of the economy at its clearest, the signs are about as murky at they can be. Mr Pym and the CBI, backed up by such indifigures, suggest that the economy has not made any appreciable recovery over the past six months and may not do so in the immediate future.
The Prime Minister, the

Chancellor and the estimates of gross domestic product say that we touched bottom in the summer and

have been coming up since. Yesterday Mr John Biffen optimists, particularly in the important struggle to improve competitiveness. He noted that productivity was rising twice as fast as the OECD average and that the pay round was going

But the sanguine interpretation that Government has Government has made permanent change for the better in British industry may be an over-simplification. The recent recession has been marked by the most dramatic reduction yet

in the capacity of industry.

If the weakest go to the wall, the average of those who survive will be stronger. But that does not mean that the survivors themselves become much more efficient than they were, nor that they will be able to make big gains in future.

This fits in with the signs that employment continues to fall quite rapidly and that CBI members see little indication that their output has picked up yet. The improvement in productivity has come largely from the elimination of the unproductive and the willingness of workers to try harder to hold on to their jobs. What we have yet to see is convincing proof that British Industry has found the recipe for doing what its competitors do, which is to boost productivity by finding better ways of doing things than using its exist-ing techniques with a little more determination.

Where Capital meets Labour

However much Mrs Thatcher may fulminate against con-sensus politics being the last refuge of the unprincipled, there persists the notion that if only men and women of goodwill sat down together to discuss our problems sen-sibly, the world might be a

With moderate Tories now alluding frequently to Disrae-li and "One Nation", and with the rise of the Social Democrats, it is not surprising that proposals for some kind of economic forum are being taken out of policy cupboards and dusted down for use. Indeed one of Mrs Thatcher's ministers, Mr Norman St John-Stevas, re-cently suggested such a

body.
The idea has, in fact, been around for some time; ever since we took a look at some of our European neighbours and realized that they seemed to be managing their economies — in particular wage inflation — rather better than

we were.
The notion of a social partnership between government, unions and employers, institutionally enshrined in Austria, Germany, and Scan-dinavia, seemed to offer an escape from Britain's en-demic and destructive war between capital and labour.

Mutual distrust between British workers and their employers had led to unsupportable wage inflation, a squeeze on profits and hence on investment, while union reluctance to abandon restrictive labour practices and accept new technology held back productivity growth.
Unions, on the other hand,
could reasonably argue that
they could not allow their members' jobs to be lost if the Government was unwilling to pursue policies which

Yesterday the Prime Minister made one of her rare appearances at the tripartite monthly meeting of the National Economic Development Council. The pressure is mounting on her to arrive at consensus policies. Here other countries' economic forums are analyzed. would lead to new jobs being

created elsewhere. And the unions were not prepared to hold back on pay claims unless they were sure this would ultimately benefit their members and not rich shareholders.

Proponents of an economic forum, bringing together the Government and both sides of industry, believe that a better understanding of how the economy works will lead to greater consensus over what should be done, better decisions by the parties involved and so to greater economic prosperity.

Only three years ago, the

consensus on the need for consensus appeared to be overwhelming. In the space of a few months, the Confederation of British Industry, 12 "moderate" members of the TUC General Council, a joint Statement from the then Labour Government and the TUC, and the Manifesto Group of right-wing Labour MPs all put forward pro-posals for some kind of forum or "national economic assessment". A forum was also suggested in the Conservative's economic policy statement of October 1977, The Right Approach to the

But Mrs Thatcher's dislike of consensus politics, and the Government's resolution to stick to hardline monetarist economic policies and sweeping union reform, has put constructive dialogue with the unions at least out of the

Nevertheless the CBI again

PERSPECTIVE ECONOMIC

CONSENSUS By Francis Williams

win" last year, the TUC-Labour Party haison com-mittee is committed to a "national economic assessment", and the Social Democrats are moving hesitantly in the same direction. A



Manifesto Group members, lized pay bargaining is likely and a leading light of the to make it extremely difficult party's economic policy for decisions, agreements, or group, Professor James just greater understanding Meade, came out in favour of by those on the forum, to a forum in his important filter through to pay deals.

The basic idea is for a transmiss which have a more greement than here agreement the party among European

once a year to discuss economic policies and prospects, notably for the coming pay round. The forum would, for instance, have before it assessments of the impact of assessments of the impact of different rates of pay in-creases on output, employ-ment, inflation and living standards in the light of government monetary and iscal policies. Not unnaturally the unious especially want to be able to discuss and influence government policy as well, including matters concerning industrial strat-

egy and income distribution. The forum might be based on the National Economic on the National Economic Development Council, whose members are drawn from government, both sides of industry and other organizations including the National Consumer Council, which stages (sometimes intemperate) discussions on economic policy issues two or three times a year. Or it might be

set up as a new body.

The big divide is between those who see the forum as having a purely educational function — as does the CBI
— and those who think its
main purpose should be to
come up with some sort of pay norm or guideline.

Either way, the British system, unusual in Europe, of voluntary and decentra-

proposed a forum in its tripartite grouping which than here among European discussion paper "The will to would come together at least "social partners" about econ-

especially following the oil price shocks and the general slowdown of economic growth in the West, govern-ments have found themselves in frequent conflict with the unions over inflationary pay deals; despite bribes of tax concessions, subsidies and even, in Sweden, a price The idea of a forum is also open to criticism that it is

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anti-democratic and a step on the road to a corporate state, with cosy deals sewn up between non-elected rep-resentatives who are not accountable to Parliament. Others would argue that, on the contrary, a forum might place constraints on the unbridled powers that the unions, say, already enjoy. But there is no doubt that the experience of the social contract between the Labour Government and the unions between 1974 and 1979, in which the unions extracted legal as well as economic concessions as the price for pay restraint, made many democrats deeply uneasy.

But perhaps the most fundamental question that

is: can institutions themselves create consensus or can they only build upon it? In particular, understanding will not lead to consensus if the Government is pursu-ing policies which are not acceptable to the other social partners. All the parties have

forum advocates must answer

to agree on the cure as wel as the diagnosis. Of one thing we can be sure: none of this will put off those to whom the beacon of sweet reason continues to beckon out of the incohate darkness of Britain's indus-trial relations.

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HOW OTHER COUNTRIES ARRIVE AT AGREEMENTS

COUNTRY		NAME OF INSTITUTION	WHO IS REPRESENTED	FUNCTION	COUNTRY	NAME OF INSTITUTION	REPRESENTED	FUNCTION	
	Austria	Joint Commission Unions, employers, Reviews all re- farmers, govern- quests for higher Prices ment-appointed wages and prices experts		Netherlands Social Economic Council		Unions, employers and government- appointed experts			
		Economic and Social Advisory Board	As above plus economics ministry cen- outlook and putral banks, Austrian makes recom- Economic Research dations on the			Foundation of Labour	Unions and em- ployers only		
		institute	dations on fiscal and monetary policy and on labour mar- ket	Norway Ankrust Committee			Reviews economic altuation		
	Germany	Council of Econ- omic Experts	Mostly academic aconomists	Reports to govern- ment on economic situation including wage bargaining		Contact Committee	Government, unions, employers, farmers, fishermen	Discuss Incomes questions	
			As above plus unions, employers, government and central bank	Economic frame- work for pay bar- gaining	Sweden	(Unnamed)	Unions and em- ployers	Centralised bargain- ing	
	Japan	Industry and Labour Round Table	Unions, employers, government and independent experts	Discusses major labour issues	Australia (statutory)	Australian Concili- ation and Arbi- tration Commission		Fixes national wages	

Stock Exchange Prices

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Review of last year's rainfall

The third year in succession to be wetter than average

By John Grindley, Meteorological Office

lotal rainfall in 1981 over the United Kingdom exceeded the a erage for the third consecutive year, by about 10 per cent over fingulard. Wales and Northern Ireland and by about 6 per cent over Scotland. As is often the case, marked departures from normal were apparent in the seasonal trend.

The spring (March-May) was particularly wet over England and Wales and to a lesser extent, over Northern Ireland, in the 254 over Northern Ireland. In the 254 years of estimates of monthly rainfall over England and Wales as a whole, there has been only one wotter March than that of 1981, in 1947, when snow melt associated with the rainfall caused devastating flooding over much of lowland England; fortunately, such an eventuality did not arise in 1981. The spring quarters of 1979, 1947, 1818 and 1782 were wetter than that of 1981, but only marginally so.

In general, the summer (June-August) appears to have been considered rather poor but the apprehension of a poor summer may lie rather in the response to may lie rather in the response to temperature and sunshine than to rainfail. The summer of 1981, overall, was rather dull and not very warm but rainfail was some way below average for the countries generally. Indeed, for England and Wales as a whole, drier summers may be expected for more often than once in 7 or 8 years. As usual, many thunderstorms occurred throughout the country, some of them discussed country, some of them discussed below, but few attained the organization of the several storms in 1980, which laid swattes of heavy rainfall across the country.

Autumn months, September and October, were wet over the United Kingdom generally, and over Scotland, November was almost as wet as the previous two months. Over England and Wales, autumns wetter than that of 1981 can be expected about occas in 20 can be expected about once in 20 years, but over Scotland, the combined total for September-Envember 1981 was the highest on record, not only for those months but for any period of

Two spells of severe wintry weather occurred during the year, both unusual in their incidence. The winter of 1980-1981 was not noted for severity generally but an extraordinary spell did occur towards the end of April 1981, just as the natural progression towards summer scemed well under way. The spell was short-lived but brought extensive disruption to traffic over most of the country.

The second spell began about December 8 and continued for about three weeks, unusually early in the winter for such early in the winter for such prolonged severe weather. Athaw helped by heavy rain spread gradually from the South in the last days of the year. Extensive flooding occurred in southern and midland England but in the North flooding was delayed into the new year.

1981, the wettest areas relatively lying in parts of northwest England, with more than 130 per cent. The effect of the storm of August 5-6 is apparent in the Greater Manchester area. Among the largest and smallest annual totals were 3739mm at Stychead in the Lake District and 504mm at Ettot. Cambridgeshire.

General values of rainfall are given in the following table:

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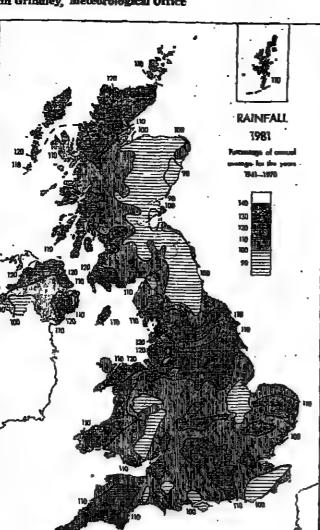
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Rainiest periods occurred from March 5 to 13 and 20 to 25 over Britain generally. As an example of the considerable rainfall in the or the considerable rainfall in the two pariods, Waen Sychlwych, Bracon Beacons, recorded 368mm on March 6-13 and 336mm on 20-26; the total for March was 769mm, much higher than the annual average for London, recorded in 7th hours. This was the heaviest thought the control of the formal average for London. the heaviest thunderstorm on record for April and was unusually early in the season for a storm of such intensity and direction

The blizzards started on about April 24 in the Border councies of England and Scotland (most of Scotland was little affected) and progressed south to reach southprogressed south to reach south-west England by April 26. In south-east England and East Anglia, the precipitation occurred as sleet or rain and did not lie. Near Sheringham, Norfolk, 126mm was recorded for April 24-26, and subsequent flooding in Norfolk may have been the worst since 1947. Rainfail for April in northern Scotland was remark-ably low, amounts in north-west Highland and the Grampians being less than 10mm.

few occasions of really heavy rain, even in the hills. The precipitation was notably thundary in character and on May 27 s line of thunderstorms was apparent from Kent to Lewis: at Glasgow, in one of those storms Glasgow, in one of those storms, 60mm was recorded in 4½ hours.

The thundery weather of May continued into June and in the early hours of June 2, violent thunderstorms moved north from France. Several storm tracks were apparent. The longest and the one with heaviest rainfall was orientated from the Sussex coast to west of the Wash; more than 60mm was recorded to the north of Worthing and in Northamptonshire. The period from June 12. of Worthing and in Northamptonshire. The period from June 12,
particularly in southern Britain,
became quite dry and virtually
rain free in many perts of
southern England, including the
Thames Valley, but east Kent
experienced a period of exceptionally heavy rainfall towards
the end of the month; 73mm was
recorded at Manston, near
Margate, from shortly after
midnight on June 24 until the
early hours of the 27th.

July was a generally dry month over the United Kingdom, but the weather never became settled. Rainfall tended to occur in runs of two or three days and amounts remained generally small. Heavy local thunderstorms did occur, however, three of them in central London on July 9, 22 and 31. In the first of those 58mm fell in about an bour at Kingsway. Even heavier falls occurred elsewhere that day; for example 101mm at Herongate, Essex and 80mm at Littleover, Derbyshire. Parts of the South escaped the heavier rain throughout and recorded only 4 or 5mm up to July 20.

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August, too, was a rather dry month over England, Wales and southern Scotland, the only significant rainfall being on the 5th, 6th and 19th. Perhaps the ourstanding rainfall event of the year occurred on August 5-6 when, following a short hearwave, severe thunderstorms broke out quite widely over England in a very complex distribution. The first of the storms appeared in the evening of August 5 in the Shropshire-Greater Manchester area and Greater Manchester area and extended across the Pennines to West Yorkshire. At Eaton, Cheshire, 132mm was recorded and at Manchester airport about 100mm fell in 11 hours.

Meanwhile, in separate thundery systems, heavy rain was falling in the Midlands from Gloucestershire to the Lincoln Edge and rainfall in that area continued for much of August 6. A third area of heavy thunder-storms crossed the Sussex coast in the early hours of August 6 and moved northwards over London towards the Wash; as much as 60mm was recorded in that storm which was also remarkable for spectacular light-ning displays and complete darkness at midday.

Scotland experienced more

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unsettled weather in the month, but even there the last 10 days were mainly dry. Areas which missed all heavy storms, for example Cornwall, recorded very small amounts, 2 or 3mm, for the whole month.

The satiled dry weather of lane August continued generally up to September 9 although September 4 was an extremely wet day in Northern Ireland and western Scotland, where Gamm was recorded at Glasgow. But from September, 9 very wet, unsettled weather persisted up to November 3.

A rather drier spell intervened from November 4 to 5 over Scotkand before the resumption of unsettled weather, and the drier spell persisted up to November 15 in southern Britain. September 19 was, perhaps, the wettest day of the year over Britain generally, with a meandepth of 27mm; an exceptonally high total for the whole island. The heaviest rain on that day fell mainly, but not exclusively, in western hills: for example, 40mm was exceeded quite widely in southern counties of England.

The period September 14 to 19

The period September 14 to 19 wee abundantly wet in central and South Wales. At Ween Sychlwch, already noted for its west March, 229mm was recorded in 6 days. The heavy rainfall of September 19 did not reach northern Scotland until the next day, when the second heaviest daily fall of the year in Britain, 143mm, was recorded at Dubh Loch, near Ullapool. The axis of heaviest rainfall on September 26 the wettest day of the year over Scotland, extended from Loch Fyne through the Tay area to the Fyne through the Tay area to the mid Dee valley near Braemar.
The largest daily total was 100nm at Auchnafree Lodge, Perthahire.

The astonishingly wet weather from mid-September reached a climax in the early days of October, when general rainfall for October 1 to 3 over Scotland amounted to 77mm, the wettest three days on record for the country. At Annalong in the Mourne Mountains, 171mm was recorded on October 1-2 most of it on the second day.

The unsettled weather continued throughout October, the driest period being from October 12 to 17 in southern Britain and Northern Ireland. Further peeriods of heavy rainfall were experienced on Scotland, northern England and Wales from October 8 to 19. The only other day of significant heavy rainfall in England and Wales was October 24, but the last 10 days of the month were by no means. of the month were by no means dry anywhere in the United

The first formight of November was quire dry in southern Britain with, for example, barely Inna being recorded over much of the Thames Valley, including London. The dry spell was shortlived in Scotland, heavy rain recurring over much of the country on November 9 and in the North on November 10. Unsertled weather then continued for the remainder of the month over Scotland, with heavy general rainfall on Novembr 19, 21-22, 25 and 29 the last being one of the wettest days in Scotland in an extremly wet autumn.

Unexceptional weather oc-curred in the first week of December, it was rather mild and December, it was rained to precipitation was mainly light. The three severe wintry weeks becam on about December 8 in began on about December 8 in southern England and South Wales. Rain in the South-west quickly turned to snow as a waving front passed across the south of the country. A few days of activation of the country. of extremely cold, foggy weather was followed by further snowfall on December 10-11 which again mainly affected southern Britain.

The worst blizzard in the wintry spell occurred on December 13 when snow spread from the South to all but the extreme north of Scotland and gale force winds caused deep drifting. The snowfall was followed by rainfall and flooding in the extreme south of Britain, Further rain fell in southwest England on December 15-16 but most of the country a drier spell from December 15 to 18.

The next outbreak of widespread snowfall occurred on
December 19-20, again starting in
south-west England with heavy
rain (60mm total precipitation
accurred on Dartmoor). December 22-25 was mainly quiet, albeit
with severe cold and freezing
fog. The third and, for 1981,
ultimate incursion of mild sur
occurred on December 26-27 and
the milder weather reached all
parts of the country by the end
of the year.

West Indies carried to victory on the shoulders of their captain

The third Text match between Astrolia and West Indies ended here this evening in the eighteenth of the last 20 overs with victory for West Indies by five wickets. They thus levelled the thrue-Test stries and retained the Sir Frank Worrell Trophy. Needing 236 to win in three bours and a quarter plus 20 overs, they had to fight for every one of them, though noce again Amiralia had only three fit bouriers.

tia had only three fit bowlers.

Despite the injuries which so handicapped Austrolia-perhaps even because of them—it was a marvellously good game, a resounding reputation of life Lymon Taylor's outrageous theory (he being managing director of PBL, who are hired to promote, not disparage, the game for the Australian Cricket Board that Test cricket in its present form is archaic. The match ended with Clive Lloyd, the West Indian captain, being carried from the field by two of his enormous henchmen, who, as soon as he little winning run, doubled to the middle and bore him off in their tuman howdah. It was a gesture of respect and affection, had they held their catches in gesture of respect and affection, had they held their catches in the list hour Australia might even have won. As it was, to come as mear as they did to saving it. after losing their first four whites for 18 runs on the first morning and with Chappell, thughes and Lifter crippled, was a splendid effort. They lost today not so much through punting though their catches in the closing overs but when, once Hughes and Marsh had been parted this morning, their second immings collapsed.

From the way Hughes and

From the way Hoghes and Marsh started off it looked as though we were in for a tame finish. They both picked no where they bed left off on Tuesday they bed left off on Tuesday evening, playing sensibly and without much difficulty. Just as one was beginning to wonder about the last occasion on which a batsman using a runner, as Hughes still was, bad scored a Test hundred, the immings fell apart. Good catches close to the wicket accounted for Marsh and Hughes: Marsh, driving at Fold.

Garner, was caught at forward short leg by Bacchus, right handed.

Having been 362 for four at a quester to 12 Australia were all out at twenty-five to one for 389. Chappell, appearing for the first time since Saturday evening, was leg-before to Garner, half forward but playing no stroke; with two good hands he would no doubt have been playing the bell.

All season Australia days been carrying a long tail and today. Gerner unde short work of it.

Lloyd: kept West Indies on the rails

No one was to do more to try to win the game for Australia than Thomson. I had bad indigestion from having written Thomson off so often, only to have to eat my words, it was he who had Haynes caught at the wicker in the third over of the innings and who broke a parmership of 100 between Greenidge and Richards which was rather spoiling the game.

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When, out of the blue, Pascoe bowled Richards with a ball he will never forger, West Indies were 114 for three. The rest, like most of the match, was compulsive watching.

As he is always doing these days, Lloyd kept West Indies on the rails. Again, just as they seemed to be freewheeling home, they lost a wicket, Gomes being bowled by Pascoe at 176. That was with 17 overs left and for the next 20 minutes or so Bacchus bore a charmed life, When he was two, Wood was so sure that be had caught him at short leg off Yardley, off hat and pad, that when his appeal was refused he threw his helmet on the piach. In Yardley's next over Bacchus survived a straight-forward charce to Pascoe at deep mid-off.

Australia had two more charces of hearing the head caught in

chances of keeping themselves in the same. They twice dropped Lloyd, Maione, a substitute, put-ting him down at long-on off Yerdley, and then, at 209, Yard-ley himself dropping him at

WEST INDIES: Pirst Innings: 389 (H A Gomes 124 not out, C H Licyd 85, P J Daion 51), Second Innings C G Greenidge, c Marsh, b

England keep going and so does Gavaskar

From Richard Streeton Kanpur, Feb 3

England's bowlers never looked like achieving the breakthrough they sought in the sixth Test match here today. Another imings of monumental patience by Gavaskar was England's main undoing, India went on to reach 179 and saved the follow-on with seven wickets in hand. Once again in this contract that the follow-on with seven wickets in hand. Once again in this contract towards the follow-on with seven wickets and the follow-on with seven wickets to the follow-on with seven the follow-o

the follow-on with seven whikes in hand. Once again in this series tomorrow's final day will be meaningless.

Rain first thing cost an hour's play and England were handicapped by a wet ball. The pitch emerged from its covers slower than ever and any ambitions the England attack held must have quickly evaporated. They stuck to their work with great commitment though and Willis and Dilley bowled at times as fast as at any other time on the tour.

Gavaskar, however, was in his most obdurate mood. He survived an early leg before appeal against Botham but after this never looked like getting out. By lunch he had reached 18 and by tea he was 44. In the end it was a throw of almost freakish accuracy by Botham that brought his downfall by a run out. Viswanath pushed Underwood to the offside and Gavaskar set off for a run and then changed his mind. Botham gathered the ball and threw with unerring aim to the bowlers' stumps and hit them with Gavaskar narrowly failing to get back. This is the only Indian Test ground on which Gavaskar has not made a hundred and from the annoyance he showed with himself it was an omission has not made a fundred and from the annoyance he showed with himself it was an omission he had intended to remedy. Gavaskar's 52 took him to exactly 500 in this series, the first batsman on either side to reach the milestone. He had batted four and a quarter hours, faced 180 balls, bit three fours and shown remorseless concentration.

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In contrast both Vengsarkar and Viswmath batted with far more freedom and were the rerfect foil. India resuming at 12 for one scored 54 runs in the hour's play before lunch and Vengsarkar stored 36 of them. He twice drove upptshy against Willis and Botham but nowhere near a fieldsman and his timing made light of the wet grass. Underwood and Emburey slowed the tempo after lunch before Vengsarkar was out soon after the first of two ball changes that were necessary inside an hour.

Playing a forcing stroke on the

Playing a forcing stroke on the back foot, Vengsarkar lifted the Yardley tops poll

Adelaide, Feb 3.—Bruce Yard-ley, the Western Australia off-spinner, has been voted player of spinar, has been voted payer of the year in Australia by cricket writers and commentators. Yardley took 38 wickets in the six Test matches against Pakistan and West Indies and rectived two votes more than the Pakittan all-rounder, Imran Khan. The award was seen last easeon by Pannis



Gavaskar : first to 500

ball waist high and Fletcher at deep point took a good catch to off Dilley in the same over.

After tea England turned to spin again and when Viswannth cut Emburey for a single he joined Gavaskar on 46 having come in more than two bours after his captain. India were 166 when Gavaskar was ren out. It is only the third time in 134 Test innings that Gavaskar has been innings that Gavaskar has been run out. The previous instances were also against England, at Manchester in 1974 and Edghaston

As the light worsened Viswan-ath off drove exquisite fours in successive overs against Under-wood and Emburey to ensure the wood and Emburey to ensure the inflow on was avoided. The unpries conferred once but the day was completed with India finishing 193 for three and Viswanath within range of his third hundred in this series. His only serious error was at 47 when he lofted a ball from Emburey high towards midwicket and it dropped between Dilley and Tavara.

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Twin peaks on Mahre mountain

The American stiler, Steven Mahre, was born four minutes later than his swin brother, Philip, and always has been a listle vices of coming desert the mount sower county upwel the moun-tain. But, in a chriling reversal of roles, he beat Phil and the rest of the field to win the giant stalom today at the Alpine world championships.

championships.

The gold medal, even more supprisingly, was the first wond by a male American in world or Olympic championships. The favourite, ingener Stemansk, of Sweden, came second and an outsider, Boxis Strel, of Yugosiavia, finished third. Phil Mahre skidded off the track only eight seconds below the starting but on the Gret run.

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It was the track of the won an important glant statou race—his best to the tighter staloun—and early last December it appeared he might not race at all in these obtainpiouships. He damaged a lines in a fall at Val d'Isert and on December 20 underwent microsurgery to remove bins of cartilage from one knee and adjust the cap on the other. In a day, Mahre was on his fest, in two he was ranning and in a week thing.

Steve was drawn to start fough, Stemmark seventh and Phil 13th, all reasonable positions on the cold, hard track. Steve set a target of Imin 2.32sec, which looked very bestable. Stemmark those a fast, plummering line, as is his babit down a giant shalou. It was a mistake. The course was more twisty than it had looked. His rhythm went wrong. He hanged his shoulders into the lim, two-legged gates one after another, slowing his pace. Overcorrecting, he swung wide and clocked a hundrum 1-22.69, which left him fourth.

When Phil-came his shoulders were curiously wild — and suddenly be was gone at the fifth gate.

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On the second run on a second course the leaders raced in reverse order. Stemmerk, collect-



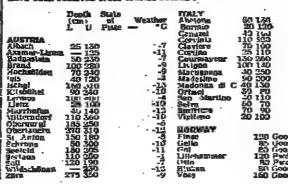
ing his form, attacked the course and set an incimidating total time of 2min 39.31sec. Disregarding his brother's in-Disregarding his brother's instructions, Stere took too straight
a line and lost time at the turns
at the top of the course. As he
passed the midpoint, he thought
the race was lost. Stermark,
watching the television screen
below, knew better. Mahre was
only five hundreckits of a second
behind at midpoint for the run
and, computing, Stermark knew

the American had a full second to spare. Mahre's gifts are for steep run-ins, such as schladming's, end moments later the Swede had lost GIANT SLALOM: 1, S. Mahre (US)

Boxing. Latest European snow reports

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In the above reports, submitted by the Ski Club of Great Britain, L refers to lower slopes and U to upper slopes. The following reports have been received from tourist boards:



Holmes goes to work on the heavy bag Las Vegas, Feb 3.—Larry Noimes, the World Boxing Coun-

cil heavyweight champion, has started heavy training in preparation for his title bout on March 15 against the number one contender, Gerry Cooney. The 32-year-old champion sparred and worked out on the heavy bag yesterday.

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Holmes arrived in Les Vegas, where the bout will be held, last Friday after training since January 9 in Pennsylvania. Cooney is expected to arrive later this month from his training camp in New York State. Cooney, aged 25. has boxed a total of only six competitive rounds in the past 27 months, and only one in the past 17 months. The WBC light-welterweight champion, Sapul Mamby, of Uni-ted States, will defend his title against South Korea's Kim Sang-

Hyun on April 11 in Pusan. The 27 year-old Korean lost the title to the Jamaica-born boxer exactly Willstrop beaten

Kuala Lampur, Feb 3.-Chris. Digmer, of Australia, beat Christy Willistrop, of England, 9-4, 9-4, 9-3, in the semi-finals of the world junior south championship here today.—Reuter.

Mrs King retires because of an emotional upset

Championships of Detroit three times, walked off the court during the third set of her first round match on Tuesday night and retired from the \$150,000 tournament's singles competition. Ann Klyomura was declared the winner of the match with a score of 3-5, 6-5, 1-0.

Mrs King, who was seeded eighth and who was scheduled to play in a doubles competition on Wednesday night, said she had been upset since last week when she learnt that Andrea Buchanan, a player on the professional women's tensis tour and a close friend of Mrs King, had been shot dead.

"Emotionally, I was not up to my game, and I could not concentrate on hitting the ball," Mrs King said after the match. "I apologize for my behaviour, it

Hockey

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Airmen prepare well for

title defence By Sydney Friskin Oxford University 9 The Royal Air Force went into lively action at the Parks yesterday to beat Oxford University convincingly in their annual match, Oxford won 2—0 last year, but without Mansfield and Gill, were not properly equipped for yesterday's skirmish.

yesterday's skirmish.

The RAF, a little disappointed after their 10—0 defeat by Yorkshire on Sunday, in the County Championship, took heart from this win in preparation for the defence of their Services title next month. They were almost at full strength yesterday, the only notable absence being Old, who suffered a leg injury in Sunday's match.

match.

There should really have been more than one goal at the end of an eventful first half. The RAF earned four short corners, all for obstruction, from which two shots were saved by Niblett all for obstruction, from which two shots were saved by Niblett and two were cleared off the line. Oxford missed two penalty strokes and Stevenson, who took them, put his first shot against the crossbar. Pappin's outstretched hand saved the other. The RAF were eventually successful from their fifth short corner, which was converted by Hedley with a hard shot from the top of the circle. They fust failed with another just before the interval, but increased their lead immediately after the start of the second half, with Bates pushing the ball over the line after picking-up a pass from the left by Bales.

Oxford, led by lley, with Lawless in close support, raised their same from the tenth minute of this half and it was their turn to earn the short corners. They had three to quick succession, all of which came to mothing.

In the dving minutes of the same the RAF scared again, from their elebith short corner, Bates dispatching a powerful shot which penetrated a packed defence.

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Olympic Games Football placed in jeopardy by poor facilities

By Norman Fox

Sports Correspondent

Football will be withdrawn from the 1984 Olympic Games in the United States urless facilities at out of the stadiums are dramatically improved. Three venues were approved by the International Olympic Committee's delegates visiting Los Angeles this weak but the fourth was rejected.

Although Olympic football is an eastern dominated sham in which, since 1960, no western team has fielded a side strong enough to reach the final, the Americans would be loathe to lose its financial potential. Football attendances in the North American Soccer League have dropped disturbingly, but the Olympic tournament was expected to be profitable if building costs were limited.

The Olympic organizers will have to spend a large amount on the Long Reach stadium or forhave to spend a large amount on the Long Beach stadium or for-felt football. Dr Artemio Franchi, feit football. Dr Artemio Franchi, the Italian vice-president of FIFA, said the stadium had no grandstand. changing rooms or facilities for dope tests. He said nothing had been done since the IOC delegates last visited Long Beach last vear.

Dr Franchi said: "The other three stadiums are greatly are the last vear.

Dr Franchi said: "The other three stadiums are excellent but we consider it impossable to organize the Olympic tournament properly without a fourth stadium." He added: "The organizers don't want to look for a stadium extrator the profess a stadium outside the region, so either they must pay for the improvements at Long Beach or there will be no football at the Olympics."

Olympic TV deal

Los Angeles, Feb 2.-Rupert Los Angeles, Feb 2.—Rupert Murdoch's network 10 will televise the 1984 Olympic Games to Australia, for US 510.6 million, it was announced here yesterday. Peter Uaberroth, president of the Los Angeles Olympic Organizing Committee, Said the couract brings the total executed from televises. brings the total revenue from tele-vision rights for the Olympics to US 5345 million.

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Toronto, Feb 2.—Peter Mc-Namara of Australia, scored the first upset of a \$350,000 tourra-

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him to leave Oxford.

Air Maxwell's disappointment is undersfandable. A month ago he stepped in to save the alling third division club by promising to fill their coffers with £120,000. His offer, which included meeting the club's financial commitments.

as they became due, was condi-tional on others, such as local commerce and industry, coming to the aid of the club as well.

The players themselves re-ponded. They reached the fifth ound of the FA Cup by beating highton, of the first division, at

first day

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Iwo dismissed and skill retreats

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This season's Football League
Cap final at Wembley could be
memorable involving as it probably will, Liverpool and Tottenbiam Hotspur. It cannot be worse
than last night's forrid semi-final
first leg at the Hawthorns where
carry promise turned sour with
two players sent off, and seven
manes taken.

The referree found himself on a slippery road when he decided to rake three names in as many minutes in the first half. He was then unable to avoid taking four more and finally sending off fol and Galvin after irritable shirt-pulling and some punches.

While, even from the start, there was ample physical commitment in this rugged tie, there had been some subtlety and imagination. The shrewdest influences were Hoddle, for Tottenham, and the Dutchman, jol, playing a similar deep role for Albion. They stood back from the pre-liminary, skirmishes and made the effective moves with commendable accuracy. Unhappily, Jol later showed a less attractive side th his nature. The referee found himself on

th his fature.

By a small margin, Hoddle was always the more accurate, cleverly putting back spin on forward passes, and giving Crooks and fallo space ahead of him. Albion made streament efforts to do the stremmous efforts to do the for Regis, who again looked same for Regis, who again looked full of power and confidence, but it was Monaghan who first dis-turbed Clergers;

Unfortunately, Monaghan's dramatic, low, hard but wide shot from Regis's delicate pass stretched a groin muscle and after 25 minutes he had to be replaced by Cross. Albion spent some time readjusting and in the meantime Tottenham took a grip on the game with Ardiles particularly enterprising, despite the fierce-mess of the tackles.

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A brick in the Tottenham wall: Price heads clear as Hughton (left) keeps watch

referee had to cool tempers by taking three names: Price brought down King, Jol made sure Hughton's dangerous break-away was stifled and Crooks had to be cautioned as the main culprit in the early exchanges of what came dangerously close to a free-for-all. Mr Tyson's action was only briefly effective.

Tottenham were content to let

their opponents frustrete them-selves in midfield. The break-away speed that Albion had shown in previous matrhes was subdued; the link between a solid detence and Regis lacking in ideas. So Villa and Ardiles were too often nnopposed while Hoddle's long passes to Falco, Crooks and Galvin continued to be the feature Only when Hoddle committed Only when Hoddle committed himself to the occasional excur-sion outside his own half did Abion, outnumber this Spura liefunce.

Bristol City thrown a lifeline

By Stuart Jones .

Eight sacrificial lumbs were laid on Bristol City's altar yesterday. Shortly before the noon deadline,

on Bristol City's aliar yesterus. Shortly before the noon deadline, the eight players agreed to accept an improved offer of relundancy and so saved the club's immediate future. Their terms of compensation, though, are linked to the success of a new fim share issue as well as a moratorium with the club's creditors.

Geoff Merrick, a former captain, and one of the eight involved, vaid: "I am heartrocken. Bitteris not a word I like the sound of. I took my boots into the ground this morning in the hope that things would not turn out the way they have, but I shall still be there on Saturday to support the team." They are at home to fulbam, the third division leaders. "We have gained a lot more than we would have done if we had accepted their ultimatum. The amount will be about \$63,000. than we would have done if we had accepted their ulcimatum. The amount will be about \$53,000 between us and anything that comes from the testimonial match." That game, between lipswich Town and Southampton at Ashton Gate on March 24, was organized on Tuesday night by Lionel Smart, an FA councillor and a former City director, who hopes that it will raise \$50,000.

Merrick and his colleagues—carind, Taluton, Rodgers, Sweeney, Mann, Aitken and Marshell—inrieited their contracts, said to be worth almost \$200,000 over the next two years, and are now free to join other clubs. Their decision comes at the end of a week of negotiations in which they were assisted by Gordon Taylor, the secretary of the Professional Footballers' Association. Mr Taylor commented: "Coo—sidering the serious finencial state of the club, we feel that the 1 Campbell I ALLIANCE PREMIER LEAGUE: pymouth 1 Truybring 0. SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Midland: Pitteborough 1. Bedford 1. Cup ynth rysid: Dover 0. Wightstone 2. SHOREY EXNIOR CUP: First round, pay Sation United 3, Motropolitan TO OFFICITY 4: Marshalls Park 1.

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the original offer and we have gone through many channels of discussion. The position has been looked at by all the other clubs in the country. We want to make sure that this does not happen again."

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again."
Although Hallfax Town, Plymouth Argyle and Oxford United
have all been similarly tottering
on the brink of extinction this on the brink of extinction this season. City's problem was caused primarily by players on first division wages being supported by a club receiving only third division gate receipts. Mr Taylor went on to hint at the solution.

"The FPA wants to preserve the game with 92 clubs in the Football League and the jobs of all our members", he said. "One of the first steps should be a regulated transfer market so that clubs do not have to take so much of a gamble." The League chairmen could, and should, take note of his message and act upon it at their meeting at Coventry in two weeks' time.

Chris Barlow, City's accountant, also sounded a note of warning to any suporters who may now become complacent. "It will have to be a substantial amount of money to save the club", he said. "I think we have "It will have to be a substantial amount of money to save the club", be said. "I think we have a good chance of surviving, but we will just have to see how successful the share issue is and how the moratorium goes. It is not part of the agreement to disnose of the ground."

Mr Barlow confirmed that the

new board would this morning take control of the subsidiary company, to be known as Bristol City Football Company (1982) Limited. The club, who were in the first division two years ago and are in danger of slipping down into the fourth in succes sive sessons, have total debts reported to be in excess of £1.5m.
The only assets available to pay the unsecured creditors, who are owed £930,000, amount to only £78,000.

It was also amounced yester-day that Martin Flook, a 37-year-old millionaire, had become vir-tually the owner of Bristol Rovers, Mr Flook, who joined the board 14 months ago and became chairman in December, bought out a minority holding bought out a minority holding of 30,000 shares from the Stevens family, who run the greybound racing at Eastville. The purchase price was not disclosed. Fig. Peter Swales, the Manchester City chairman, yesterday called for restraint on players' wages. He will put forward a four-point plan to the meeting of footbell league chairmen on February 21. It will call for: a maximum £400-e-week wage with further bonuses purely dependent upon gate receipts and match results; a lifting of the television restriction on shirt advertising; a maximum transfer limit; a much bigger, cut for footbell from the pools organizations. Peter Swales, the Manchester

Grey suits match faces

The plush Dragonara Hotel in Bristol was awash yesterday with ashen-faced football managers and right-lipped players. Bristol City Football Glub, poised on the brink of closure with debts of fi.sm., had just met a new deadline requiring most of the third division team to accept recondancy in a desperate attempt to reduce the club's wages bill.

The meeting at the hotel was The meeting at the hotel was called to try to resolve the dispute between the club and the cleft players who had been asked to leave. Grey-suited accountant, businessmen and the club's 23 players, all refusing to comment, trooped in and out of the meeting or sat around in girm, silent huddles.

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Even when it was amounted that agreement had been reached at two minutes before noon, not one player said be was "over the moon". Most seemed aware they had won what might prove ray a temporary stay of execution. l temporary stay of execution. Guarded optimism about City's

Dundee crisis Dundee, who made a loss of over £250,000 last year, need public money in order to aurity. The Southsh premier distribution ices followed a healthy profit of £57,277 the previous season.

future was expressed by Gordon Taylor, secretary of the Professional Footballers' Association, who handled the negotiations for the players. He was determined to ensure that the club would not be the first team to fold since Accrington Stanley disappeared 20 years ago.

Mr Taylor's solution for ending such financial shemanigans and the threat of closure to several clubs was a regulated transfer market for players based on age and earnings. "It's a South Sea bubble situation," he added.

"We have to start improving the image of the industry. If a club of the stature of Bristol City went unformate day for football."

Geoff Merrick, aged 31, told me: "There's got to be a certain amount of binerness about the way this has been handled and a lot of emotion because I've had some great years with the club. I feel very numb. It's been a week I'd never envisaged and never thought I would be stuck here like this."

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recovering well.

But on Tuesday night and again yesterday morning, the bleeding returned and Bobby Robson, the lpswich manager, said: "He is on his ninth plat of blood since cutering hospital 10 days ago so it has been decided to transfer him to London for more intensified specialist treatment and X-reys.

England start well

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Bombay, Feb 3. — England made a very promising start in the men's and women's team events on the first day of the Commonwealth table tennis changiouships here today.

In group B of the men's competition, England, three times champious, had 5—0 victories over Sri Lanka and Kenya. England's women won both their group B matches, against Pakistan and Scotland, 3—0.—Reuter. Bombay: Gommonwealth champiouships, figure group B; kingtand 3. Sm. Louke 0 M Echeryley host 3 ilu-ven 21—10. 21—5. Echersley, heat J Samaravetta. 21—15. 21—8. However, 21—16. 21—16. 21—16. 21—16. 21—17. 21—16. 21—17. 2

Rugby Union

English talent tempers Sydney take Irishman's optimism

Rugby Correspondent Irish performance he has seen in a long time, and despite the absence of Bill Beaumont and perhaps of Peter Wheeler from opposing ranks on Saturday. Mike Cibson, the former outstanding Irish middleld payer, considers that England must start favourites to win at Twickanham. "But England will need to play very well." he says. "Ireland will make it very difficult for them if they can recapture the same inspiration. Therewas a great clamour for a return By Stuart Joness Football Correspondent Wolverhampton Wanderers to-day face the future with a new manager, and a writ. After they had appointed lan Greaves yesterday afternoon, Robert Maxwell, the chairman of Mr Greaves's former club, Griford United, confirmed that he would be taking legal action against both Mr Greaves for breach of contract and against Wolves for inducing him to leave Oxford.

Mr Maxwell's disappointment

was a great clamour for a return to the traditional Irish style, yet Ireland not only found the old fury against Wales but the con-trol as weil." Gibson was surprised to see Gibson was surprised to see Weish heads drooping so early in the second half in Dublin. "Our front five maintained the pressure throughout, and our loose trio were more than capable of coping with an easily identifiable threat from the Weish halfbacks, who didn't get any clear support in attack from their own loose forwards", he said. "Bebind it all. Office Campbell did everything absolutely right in a beautifully, measured performance. He was given some Reence close in, but he still had to take his oppop-

ioose trio were more than capable of coping with an easily identifiable threat from the Weish halibacks, who didn't get any clear support in attack from their own loose forwards". he said. "Behind it all. 'Olie' campbell did everything absolintly right in a beautifully measured performance. He was given some licence close in but he still had to take his opportunities. His judgment was overlect.

"I never shared the view that we would start as underdogs against Wales, but always believed that England would present us with the greatest challenge this season. England these days are more ambitious; more expansive, with the talent to express themselves. Ireland have always thrived on mistakes by the opposition, and their present side has a lot of pace behind the strammage, though England will need to be selective in their choice of hall to run. If things go well for Ireland up front, Campbell will keep them going forward and he and his backs will run, given half a chance."

Altogether, a mas who arguably has been the greatest of mid-field players finds it refreshing to commplate what he may see from an England team to longer preoccupied with a limited, smithing in the middle but relying on payed and shall hardless of the new England in the findset, preparing the way for the climax of the Murrayfield miarch, preparing the way for the three points so foolishly given to be selective in their choice of hall to run. If things go well for Ireland up front, Campbell will keep them going forward and he and his backs will run, given half a chance."

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He is impressed by the speed. fire and hardness of the new England land flanker, Peter Winnerhotton, the impressed but and stanker. Peter Winnerhotton, the impressed but and stanker, Peter Brighton, of the first division, at the Goldstone Ground on January 25. Mr Greaves himself described it as "a fairy story" and gave credit to the new benefactor. credit to the new benefactor.

When Mr Maxwell took over on January 7, his instructions to Mr Greaves were as 'simple as they were ambitious: " Get the club luto the second division within two years". he said, "and stay there!" On Saturday Oxford, who are currently 10 points behind the leaders, in ninth place and accustomed totaking on clubs in difficulty, play Newport County.

Mr Maxwell insists that Mr Greaves had a contract which. Mr Maxwell insists that Mr Greases had a contract which "bound him until July, 1983. It was one of the reasons why I decided to join the board recently. I was confident that he would be staying with the club. This is a breach of the new agreement over managers. Unless he comes back and honours his agreement until at least the end of the season, we shall have no alternative but to issue a writ."

Graham Kelly, the secretary of the Football League, confirmed that the wording of the "gentlemen's agreement", which the cinb chairmen approved at their meeting a year ago, stated that "no club should take another League club's manager during

"no club should take snother League club's manager during the playing season". Harry Marshall, the chaliman of Wolves, disagrees with his opposite number: "The job was vacant," he said yesterday, "and, lan Greaves, who said he was not under contract at Oxford, applied and was successful, I amdelighted that we have made at

Mr Greaves would not comment on the threat of legal action but revealed that he had applied for the job at Wolves on Monday and that the whole affair had been settled on Monday afternoon. He did not sign until yesterday afternoon, a three-year contract that is understood to be worth £100,000. He succeeds John Burnwill; who was dismissed 25 days ago.

"What has gone on here at Molineux recently is club politics." Mr Greaves added. "I have no intention of becoming involved in that. I have got to assess the pisying policy of the club as quickly as possible and get to grips with the present situation which exists here. I have been told that there is no money for new players and thist I will have to sell to buy."

He waithed Wolves lose to Arsenal at Highbury on Thesday, night. It was their thirteenth defeat of the season and keeps them lodged among the bottom three.

Mr Greaves, who made his first appearance for Manchester United

Mr Greaves, who made his first appearance for Manchester United at Molineur as a full back in 1954, added that he did not foresee any immediate changes in the back-room staff. It is though, that he is likely to bring Roy Barry, his assistant at Oxford, with him to Wolves. That could cause another problem: Mr Barry was appointed yesterday as Oxford's acting manager and Mr Maxwell wants him to apply for the job when it is advertised.

Butcher rushed

Terry Butcher, Ipswich Town's England defender, was rushed from Ipswich Hospital to the London Hospital yesterday. Burcher, who broke his nose and suffered prolonged bleeding foliuwing a collision in the FA Cup the Art Luron, had an operation last week and was thought to be recovering well.

the Irish and English.

Wales wait for Davies verdict.

The Welsh captain. Gareth [] Leicester make four changes, three of them enforced for his chances of being fit for Saturday's match with London Saurday's match with France at Cardiff Arms Park Wheeler, Clive Woodward and Indeed his country for the third duty and their places are taken by Brian Ball, Yendis Afflick and Chris Trester. Nick Joyce is preing treatment nearly every day since.

A final decision will be taken at today's squad training session. Nightnaham, N. Joyce S. Johnson, N. Gillianham, N. Joyce S. Johnson, J. Joyce S. Johnson, J. Johnson, J. Johnson, J. Johnson, J. Johnso Davies, is not optimistic about his chances of being fit for Saturday's Rugby Union international with Frence at Cardiff Arms Park. The half stand off hoping to lead his country for the third time, badly bruised a thigh in the 20—12 defeat by Ireland on Jenuary 23, and has been receiving freatment nearly every day since.

Gibson: Enthusing about

advantage of weakened Cambridge

By Peter West Cambridge U 6 Sydney U 15 Cambridge U 6 Sydney U 15
Australia's inter-varsity champions hail from a club which is the oldest in their country, having been founded in 1863, and which has produced no fewer than 53. players to win full Wallaby honours. They won enough ball against a weakened Cambridge side at Grange Road yesterday afternoon to have won the game by 30 points or more.

Rue a country and lively side.

But a robust and lively side, possessed of a skilful, manling pack, too often marred their finishing with inaccurare distribution. They had to settle in the end for a comfortable win by a penalty goal and three tries to two penalty goals.

The prospects of a rather dis-jointed Cambridge XV, which in-cluded only four of those who won the 100th university match when one of their Blues, the wing, Cooke, returned after repairs to a leg injury to be a virtual passenger in the later

my then, Cooke had moved into the centre, where Wheelhouse had been replaced by Branson, Although making almost all of the running, into the wind, in the first half, Sydney still had to turn round 6—3 behind. Their full back, Gordon, missed three kickable penalties before the centre, Vaux, was called up to score three points in reply to the two penalties landed by Hoskin for Cambridge.

In the second period, Sydney's scrum half, Farr Jones, scored a try on the short side of a scrummage. The right wing, McCormack, got another when a rucked ball produced a generous overlan. The last score went to Gordon, who unde the most of a big note in the Cambridge centre.

Cambridge centre. A k new the control of th

After last week's home defeat

Bath lay out the red carpet for Molly

night. They did not really play too badly, for a side just beginning to put itself together—their back row forward, Pouring, hadcome all the way from Perthahire—but Bath were much too good for them. Bath won by five goals, two dropped goals, two tries and a penalty goal to a try.

By Alan Gibson

The weather was cold and dry:
there was not much wind. Buth
The best thing of the evening was to see Molly Gerrard, the waster attacking from the start, and the fall pack, Heart and berself a former President of the Bath Club, back in the company, upright, and cheerful as ever, despite a serious illness from which she has recovered. It inheteed everyone's heart to see Molly there again.

As for the match, the RAF are just beginning to warm up to their championship and were carrainly warmed up by Bath list thought the sirment got together the potter. Unfortpinately for a side just begin.

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Horton's was a really marvellous one to weath, with four little jigs in it, three in and one out, and the poor defenders diving furiously, siways in the wrong direction. Raiston made

Price navigates away from danger

By Peter Marson
Oxford Univ 5, Royal Navy 15
The Royal Navy stored a decisive victory at Iffey Road
yesterday, when they beat Oxford
University by a try, a dropped
goal and three penalty points to
a goal, it was not an engagement
of any great distinction, but the
Navy, who lost narrowly to Cambridge University in their last
outing, will have been much
encouraged by the measure of
command they achieved and the
success which followed it.
The Navy's stand-off half,
Price, stood four square on the
bridge once again, and having
launched his side with a near
dropped goal shortly after the
start, it was be who guided the
Navy away from danger, as the
match drew to its conclusion,
with two well-taken penalties.
Not that Oxford had offered
much in any direction, Indeed,
they had spent a full 80 minutes we

trying to wark out a successful formula before a tapped penalty brought a try for Peck which want, left footed, converted.

Oxford, who had bearen the Army 18—7 and, so It is said thrashed the Royal Air Porce 28—9, lloked distinctly out of sorts. They were without their new captain, the Australian international, Crowe, who had been loyured in a Cuppers, manch on Monday and among another four changes, three were outside the scrum.

Nor, apparently, did the university field a piace-kicker. Enddingson, the scrum half, falled at goal twice, and Wyart, who was playing in the centre, once (right-footed).

By half-thne, Tomlin's heavy atmantent had given the Mavy a lead of six points with a penalty. Their forwards, had played with mounting confidence and with Youldon and Price combining well the Navy's three-quarters,

with Fabian and Newson enjoying their freedom, continually probed Oniund's defence. It was apr that Folland should round off one of their best movements with a try.

Nicklaus teams up with former US President

From John Baltantine
Monterey, Feb 3.
Johnny Millier and Jack
Nicklaus resume their current
rivalry in the Ring Croeby
National Pro-Am which starts
here on the three courses of
Pebble Beach, Cypress Point and
Sypglass Hill tomorrow.
The pule holder a Californian Sypplass Hill tomorrow.

The title holder, a Californian, John Cook as well as Tom Watson, the winner in 1977 and 1978, George Burns (1980), Ben Crenshaw (1976) and other players in form like Tom Kite, Tom Weiskopf and Raymond Floyd may also have something to say about Sunday's finish after the 168 professionals and their "celebrity" partners complete the round of the three great courses and return to Pebble Beach for the final round.

The "celebrity" field con-

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sisting of leading proc with well-known personalines of politics and show business, are kept together and start tomorrow at Cypress, Nicklaus, who previously had businessmen as his team mates, partners the former United States. President Cerald Ford (13 handleap)

The great "Araile" is not entered and the inference is that he is a bit pur out by being thus discarded. Nicklaus may well have to make amends by playing in Palmer's own event, the Bay Hill Classic in Orlando, Florida on March 47.

Nick Faldo plays Pebble Beach tomorrow with the former Wimbledop champion, Bob Falkenburg [6 handleap] while Peter Oosterhuis is out on Spyglass Hill with a British businessman, John Archer (11 handleap).

Tupling wants Simmons leads in Sun City action replay Lagge, Feb 3.—Feter Tupling, of Britain, will be hoping for a repeat of his 1991 form when be begans his defeate of the Nigerian open championship at the Isoyi Club tomorrow. Tupling, aged 31, won the title last year with a wurld record aggregate of 255, 29 under-par, after rounds of 63, 66, 62, 64, but he faces tough competition from his fellow countrymen. David lagger and Bill longmust, both double winners of the Nigerian open.—Reuter.

Sun City, Feb 3.—Phil Simmons headed a South African charge in the first round of the San City classic in Bophtrhassyna today. He had birdies on the three opening holes on his way to a three-mider par 69.

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British 'Summertime' is judged to be perfect

Ice skating

To say that Javne Torsill and Christopher Dean won the com-pulsury section of the European (2) dance championships here to night is to reduce Statespace to to much paper and ink. World champions though they are, the British couple resched even greater heights, especially with their original set pattern to a blacs rhytian. We have seen it before several We have seen it before several times this year but with each new experience they achieve near commonal impact. A collecture in the press box, a German fredancer of recent vintage, and the was like a dream. It made my flesh creep."

The Eritish approach was in sharp contrast to that of other compensors, whose interpretation of the blues seemed to consider the blues of the blues the sad done south, and chosen harry Adier's South, and chosen Larry Adjer's plaintive harmonics rendering of "Summertime" as their back-

ground.

What Adler did for Ger-hain they now did for Adler, with a diplay of haunting emotional beauty. The acdience were first enraptured and then extants as the judges nuched up a glowing arithme. Three of them awarded a full six, those from Britzin. France and Austria. Never before had the British couple received more bian 5.8 for an original ser pattern in an international champattern in an international cham-pionship... Nor was that all, for Karea

Barber and Nicholas Stater, second in Britain, finished fourth in the compulsories, climbing above Olga Volozhinskaya and alexander Svinin, as compared with last year's world clampionsthes. Wendy Session and Stephen W. Lams finid minin pushion, as lart year They had had legitimate foots of something better.

Jean-Constophe Simond, carrying the burden of French national appealation, was a nervous figure. capeciation, was a nervous figure in the men's short programme. He remined his lead, but by the received wis tean, but by the mercust whisker, a little of a point, from Iron Bobrin, last year's witner for the Soviet Union, and Norbert Schramm, of West Common.

Appeter Schramm, or west Germany.

Since every placing in to morrow's free statung is worth a full point, such a lead can rapidly disappear. It now seems that whicever of these three freshes highest immorrow, will instruction highest tomorrow, will take the title.

Min's Short programme 1
School Minister of the best of the bes

Faces to follow: two school friends in search of the same squash title

Island girls taking to the world stage

entertainment industry, squash has moved into a period of radical change. There are two new world champions, Jahangir Khan and Rhonda Thorne. Australian men and British women are prominent among the

women are prominent among the young challengers. Moreover, a dream that has recurred for almost 50 years — a "fish-tank" court with every wall transparent — is at last acquiring substance. The coming men include such players as Glen Brumby, Chris Dittmar and Ricki Hill, all Australians; Stuart Davenport (New Zealand), Christy Willstrop (Britain) and Zahir Hussein Khan and Sobail Qaiser (Pakistan). Even Jahangir is only 18.

Among the women, the charge of the bright brigade is being led by players from the land where squash was born. Lisa Opie, aged 18, and Martine le Moignan, 19, rank third and fifth in the world on current form yet must be on current form yet must be weary of such domestic rivals as Ruth Strauss, Alison Cumings, Suzanne Burgess and Paula Anderson — plus Susan Devoy (New Zealand) and Wendy Williams (Australia)

Williams (Australia).

The extraordinary thing about two of the most remarkable teenagers in British sport is that Miss Opie and Miss le Moignan were born in the same hospital, went to the same infants, junior and senior schools, received their squash educations at the same club, and, have since reinforced the Guernsey-born squash colony

By Michael Seely
Roger Fisher, the Lake District trainer, denied rumours yesterday that he had sold his haif share in Elbelco, and that John Francome had been invited to replace David Goulding on the problem horse in the Champion Hurdle at Cheltenham.

Ekbalco has been heavily backed both for the Schweppes Gold Trophy and the Champion Hurdle after his eye-catching later run in the Irish Sweep Hurdle at Leopardstown on Saturday where he finished sixth, only just over four leogths behind the winner, For Auction.

Ekbalco was virtually tailed off

however, that now Ekbalco has been raised in class and is carrying big weights in handicaps he should lie closer to the pace in the early stages. But Goulding will definitely ride Ekbalco in the Schwarzer and all points well in

Schweppes and, all going well, in the Champion as well." STATE OF GOING (official)

Lingfield: chase, heavy; hurdles, soft. Towcester: good. Tomortow: Kelso: good to soft. Kempton: good to soft.

12 15 (12.18) NEW BEASON CHASEION &

TOTE: Win, £1.43; places, 39p, 10p, 39p; dast forecast, £1.56; CSF; £6.89. N Twiston-Davies at Maunton. 2%t, 3t, &rinagmer (11-2) 4th 12 ran. NR* Fuliginous. 12.45 (12.47) £EDBUNY MURDLE (Setting Handlosp: £552.2m)

Totte: Win, K1.73; places, 28p, 78p, 1141. 81; dual forecast, 31p (winner or proof) with any other horse). GSF: 27.22. Tracest: 134.80 M pipe at Welfington, 1½, 11 Arcise Reseat (25-1) 4th, 20 nm. NR: Fraccotio, Gisseen.

1.15 (1.17) LECKINGSTER CHASE (DW to nowces: 21,350: 24m)

LANOSLIDE bg y Birdbrook — Rock-On (D Groom) 9-11-3 C Candy (16-1)

TOTE: Win:21.86, places: 34p, 23p, 33p, dual forecest: 44p (winner of second with any other horse). CSF: £41.88, 8, Palling at Ysfradowen, 2), 91. Coolerin Boy 11-10 km. Fine Bird (14-1) 4th, 16 ran.

1 45 (1.48) NEW SEASON CHARLE (Do & maiden hunters: £450; 21/m)

2.15 (2.13) WEGINORE HURDLE (Handicap: £846: 2m)

3.15 (3.23) DANISELS HURDLE (Novices: E566; 2m)

TOTE: Win, 23p; places, 10p, 14p, £2.64. Dual F 21p, CSF: 34p, P Cundel at Compton. 1%1, 20l. Merebutur (50-1) 4th. 16 ran. NR:

3.45 (3.49) LEOMINSTER CHASE (Div B: moviges: E1,340: 2'hm)

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LAST OF THE POXES big by Lord Fox — Marvelous (W Davies) 8-11-10 Mr N

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Miss Le Moignan (left) and Miss Opie: bringing each other along

ahead. Often, too, she showed distant but Miss Opie has Miss Opie (whose level of financial backing from Guinness performance was more constant) how more highly ranked players Guernsey, and also has a clothing could be beaten. Each has been stimulated by the other.

The coincidence of their lives Patrick shoes. "Last year I found the stimulated by the other." two of the most remarkable teenagers in British sport is that Miss Opie and Miss & Moignan were born in the same hospital, went to the same infants, junior and senior schools, received their squash educations at the same club, and have since reinforced the Guernsey-born squash colony established in Nottingham by the hrothers John and Richard le Lievre.

The girls finished school in the same class — and still are. "We have always been squash rivals," Miss Opie says, "and that has really helped us. We have brought each other along."

Miss Opie was the first to take up squash. She set an example and has usually been the front runner. Miss le Moignan was the first to go to Nottingham, where she blossomed and briefly moved

but her father was born in Guernsey, her mother in Jersey. They have a pottery in the sectuded Moulin Huer Valley.

the family membership scheme.
Unusually, squash had been
Miss Opie's only game: "I went
to a convent school and didn't to a convent school and didn't play many sports until I was about 12 — and by that time I was into squash. They always wanted me to play team games but I didn't have time to practice. I was always playing squash." By contrast Miss le Moignan's middle teens were embellished by the Channel Islands' junior 1,500 metres record and junior tennis championship.

naturally wanted results in return for the cost of helping the girls to further their squash careers. For a time Miss le Moignan resented the stress on winning but later she found a similar driving force within herself. She was slower to mature than Miss. Opie and her adolescent shyuess lasted longer but eventually the strength of her character emerged.

Life could hardly be anything but easy-going in the leafy

her character emerged.

Life could hardly be anything but easy-going in the leafy Moulin Huet Valley. Miss Opie and her sister, Karla — aged 16 and powerfully talented on a squash court or on horseback, but more desaltory than Lisa — both grew.up quickly and became easy mixers, capable of making their own decisions. Even now Miss Opie may be mentally stronger than Miss le Moignan.

All this, together with Miss Opie's earlier introduction to squash and her greater tolerance for training and practice, may explain her present slight supremacy. The potter's daughter is 10 months the younger and also the smaller. She is 5ft 4hin tall and, without pretending that she can always make the weight, reclous that "mine stone is about right for me." Miss le Moignan is 5ft 9in and more than a stone heavier, though hardly a pound of it is surplus.

"I was always being told that 1 didn't have enough fight in me," Miss Opie, says "but in 1981 I got a lot tougher." Last October, in Ottawa, she beat Miss le Moignan in the final of the world junior championship. They moved on to Toronto and finished fourth and sixth respectively in the world open championship. In December, at Wembley, Miss Opie won the British national

Nice weeks hence one or the other may already be good

Nine weeks beace one or the other may already be good enough to become the first British player since Francesca Marshall, in 1961, to win the British open champlonship.

Rex Bellamy

Law Report February 4 1982

Court of Appeal

When council's housing duty is not discharged

Regina v Wyre Borough Council, Ex parte Parr and Another Before Lord Denning, Master of the Rolls, Lord Justice Eveleigh The applicants applied for indical region of that refues! We and Lord Justice Donaldson [Judgment delivered February 3] A housing authority only discharged their duty under the Housing (Homeless Persons) Act 1977, of securing that accommodation became available for the occupation of an applicant if the appropriate to the applicant having regard to all the circumments of the case.

The Court of Appeal, allowing an appeal by applicants Mr Michael Parr and Mrs Mavis Mary Parr, of Fleetwood, Lancashire, from a decision of Mr Justice Phillips, granted the applicants an order of mandamus requiring Wyre Borough Council to carry out their duty to house them under section 4(5) of the 1977 Act.

Section 4(5) provides: "Where
(a) [a housing authority] are
satisfied (i) that [an applicant] is
homeless, and (ii) that he has a
priority need, but (b) they are
not satisfied that he became
homeless intentionally, their duty . . . is to secure that accommodation becomes available for his accommodation",

Mr Jack Price, QC, and Mr John Townend for the applicants; Mr Anthony Scrivener, QC, and Mr Graham Stoker for the

in the caravan, and so were not homeless.

The applicants applied for judicial review of that refusal. Mr Justice Woolf gave leave to apply, limited to the question whether the authority could properly have come to the conclusion that the applicants were not homeless. But a week or so before the hearing date, the authority changed their mind.

They wrote a letter on October 19 saying "housing accommodation has been secured for you and your family with Birmingham District Council at the request of the authority". They claimed that by that letter they had discharged their dury under section 4(5) of the Act.

When the case came before Mr Justice Phillips, he saw what a muddle it had got into. He gave the applicants leave to amend, so that they could seek a declaration that the authority's purported performance of their duty under the Act. was invalid, but he refused the application.

He said that if the matter were appealed, the parties should sign a supplementary statement of facts setting out all that had happened. Unfortunately that had not been done.

There had been much dis-There has been muca discussion as to whether a housing authority could fulfil their duty by saying to a person living away up in the North, that accommodation was available in Birmingham. The applicants had local connexions with Fleetwood and Nottingham but none with

borough council.

The MASTER OF THE ROLLS said that Mr Parr lived in Fleetwood until the age of 25. He was in the Army for three years, then went to live in Nottingham. He married, and there were now five children aged between 12 years and 18 months.

In July, 1981, the family were threatened with eviction, so they got a motor caravan, drove to Fleetwood, where Mr Parr had some sisters, and perked the caravan on the promenade. They applied for accommodation under the 1977 Act. The housing authority turned them down on the ground that they had "shelter/accommodation in keeping with their chosen mode of WLR 1437).

That case was wholly distinguishable. The housing authority were wrong in the first place to say that the applicants were not homeless. The applicants were therefore entitled to ask for judicial review.

It was no answer for the authority to say that they had carried out their obligations by the letter of October 19. The accommodation offered had to be appropriate — not only as to the

accommodation offered had to be appropriate — not only as to the house itself, us to which the court had no evidence, but also as to other factors such as the nature of the area and whether employment. employment prospects were suitable for the applicant. The letter of October 19 was not sufficient to manifest an offer of appropriate accommodation—the circumstances were too uncertain and equivocal.

uncertain and equivocal.

A further point was that, reading between the lines of the code of guidance issued by the Secretary of State which had some statutory authority, the wishes of the applicant were one of the things to be taken into account if it was proposed to send him to an eres for distant from that where he had a local connexion. The wishes of Mr and Mrs Part had not been taken into account.

LORD JUSTICE EVELEIGH, concurring, said that it would be wrong to deny the applicants the remedy to which they would undoubtedly have beas entitled on the ground that the authority, at the eleventh hour, claimed to have fulfilled their duty. In that state of doubt, the order of manamus should be made.

LORD JUSTICE DONALDSON, also concurring, said that it was agreed on all sides that the accommodation offered did not have to be in the authority's area. But the judge was not in a position to know whether the Birmingham accommodation was appropriate — he did not have the facts. The appeal should be allowed for the reasous given.

Solicitors: Hugh Pond & Co. LORD JUSTICE DONALDSON

Chancery Division

No tax liability on trustees? allocation of assets

[Judgment delivered February 3] [judgment delivered February 3]
Trustees who executed deeds
allocating certain trust assets to
be held on new trusts in favour
of specified beneficiaries, were
not to be deemed to have
disposed of those assets and thus
did bot become Hable to any
capital gains tax in respect of
them. The effect of the deeds was
not to create sengrate satisfaments. of the allocated funds and thus the deeming provisions of section 25 (3) of the Finance Act 1965 could not be applied to impose any liability to the tax. Mr Justice Nourse dismissed

an appeal by the Crown and upheld a determination of the special commissioners that had discharged assessments to the tax for 1971-72 of £35,349 and for 1972-73 of £214,817 made on Mr D. M. Pickford, a trustee of a settlement made in 1961 by Mr F.

sertlement made in 1901 by AIF F. E. Cleary. In 1972 the trustees of a discretionary settlement made in 1961 (the main settlement) executed two deeds of allocation whereby certain particularized ussets (the allocated funds) were to be held on the trusts as set out in the deeds in favour of specified beneficiaries. The trusts of the allocated funds were distinct from the trusts of the main settlement and were exhaustive of the beneficial interests in those funds.

interests in those funds.

The trustees of the main settlement were to continue as trustees of the allocated funds and the administrative powers of the main settlement were to apply to the allocated funds. The trustee was assessed to capital gains tax on the basis that an the

against the trustee all the assets forming part of the settled property to which he becomes so entitled shall be deemed to have been disposed of by the trustee, and immediately reacquired by him in his capacity as a trustee within section 22(5) of this Act, for a consideration equal to their market value..." [That provision is now contained in section 54(1) of the Capital Gains Tax Act 1973].

Mr. John Mummery for the

The House of Lords recently agreed with that statement in the case of Roome v Edwards ([1981] 2 WLR 268). It was there held

separate settlement existed. In the same passage be said that the

Mr John Mummery for the The trustees' power Crown; Mr Christopher McCall allocation was not pres

MR JUSTICE NOURSE said that this was the fourth in a line of cases whose concern was to elucidate the circumstances in which exercises of powers of one kind or another over settled property gave rise to deemed disposals for the purposes of the tax. In Hart v Briscoe ([1979] Ch 1) and Hoare Trustees v Gardner ([1979] Ch 10), Mr Justice Brightman held that a deemed disposal did take place where the trustees trustees to a proven trustees pursuant to a power either transferred assets to the trustees of another ad hoc settlement or executed a deed declaring a series of trusts of the advanced assets so as to take them out of the main settlement and subject them to the new trusts.

that the exercise of a joint special power of appointment under a marriage settlement did not result in the appointed fund becoming subject to the trusts of a separate settlement. Those cases contained valuable and authoritative observation to guide the court in the present

question whether a particular set of forts amounted to a settlement should be approached by asking applying that knowlege in a practical and common-sense manner to the facts would conclude.

identifiable either as a special power of appointment or as a power of advancement but in substance it seemed closer to the former. Clearly the power did not enable the trustees to take assets out of the settlement, far less to

out of the settlement, rar ress to transfer them to the trustees of some other settlement. A power to allocate trust assets to a beneficiary was one of an entirely domestic nature. As a matter of construction the power trust in the power trust in the power transfer to the settlement of the settlemen was in substance the equivalent of a special, although limited, power to appoint to a beneficiary on specified terms. on specified terms.

His Lordship said he could summarize his view by saying that he looked at the deeds of allocation as if they were exhaustive appointments under partial powers which auto-

special powers which auto-matically preserved the appli-cation of the administrative powers of the settlement and the enduring retention of the allocated funds by the trustees. On that footing, echoing what

On that footing, echoing what Lord Wilberforce said in Roome, it would not be natural for the presupposed knowledgeable person to say that a separate settlement had been created.

Although the special commissioners had determined the case before the House of Lords decision in Roome and thus did not have the advantage of Lord Wilberforce's guidance, they had arrived at the right conclusion. The deeds of allocation did not that the separate settlements and that meant that the appeal had to be dismissed.

Solicitors: Solicitor of Initial gains tax on the basis that on the execution of the deeds he and the other trustees became absolutely entitled to the allocated funds, as against themselves as trustees of the two deeds of the purposes of section 25 (3) of the Act.

Section 25(3) of the Act provides: "On the occasion when a person becomes absolutely entitled to any settled property as entitled to any settled property as a location in the light of the power pursuant to which they were executed. Did they or did they not treate separate settlements and determined the case.

The task was to consider the effect of the two deeds of allocation in Roome and thus did case. The task was to consider the followed for the power pursuant to which they were executed. Did they or did they not treate separate settlements and the decision in Roome and thus did case.

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to apply to telegrams and in strict logic there was much to be said for applying it also to telem messages sent by one business firm directly to another.

firm directly to another.

On balance his Lordship had reached the opinion that an acceptance sent by telex directly from the acceptor's office to the

offeror's office should be treated as if it were an instantaneous communication between princi-pals, like a telephone conver-

sation.
In the ordinary case his Lordship thought that the general rule and not the postal

rule should apply, although he agreed that the general rule would not cover all the variations that might occur with telex

Status of telexes in contracts LORD FRASER, agreeing, said the posting rule was besed on considerations of practical con-venience arising from the delay that was inevitable in delivering a letter. But it had been extended to amply to telegrams and in strict

Brinkibon Ltd v Stahag Stahl und Stahlwarenhandels GmbH. Before Lord Wilberforce, Lord Fraser of Tullybelton, Lord Russell of Killowen, Lord Bridge of Harwich and Lord Brandon of

Oakbrook.
[Speeches delivered January 21]
The status of telexes in deciding whether a contract was made within the jurisdiction was discussed by members of the House of Lords when dismissing an appeal by English buyers, Brinkibon Ltd, from the Court of Brinkibon Ltd, from the Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Stephenson and Lord Justice Templeman) (The Times June 14, 1980). That court had allowed an appeal by defendant sellers, Stahag Stahl; incorporated in Austria, and had set aside an order of Mr Justice Mocatta granting leave to the buyers to serve notice on the sellers in Austria of a writ for sellers in Austria of a writ for damages for alleged breach of

Mr Anthony Thompson, QC, and Mr Alastair MacGregor for the buyers; Mr Nicholas Phillips, QC, and Mr M. White for the ellers. LORD WILBERFORCE said that whether there was a contract in the present case could only be decided at the trial.

The facts of the case raised the question whether an acceptance by telex from London to Vienna caused a contract to be made in London or in Vienna.

If the acceptance had been sent between or but telegraphy these are telegraphy these are telegraphy to the acceptance ar

by post, or by telegram, then on existing authorities the contract would have been complete when would have been complete when the acceptance was put into the hands of the post office in London. If on the other hand it had been telephoned, it would have been complete when heard by the offeror in Vienna.

Existing Court of Appeal authority in Entores Ltd v Miles Far East Corporation (1955] 2 08 327) held that a telex was to be assimilated to other methods of instantaneous communication.

The general rule was that a contract was formed when acceptance by an offeror was communicated to the offeree; and logic demanded that even where there was not mutual presence at the same place and the same time, if communication was instantaneous, for example by telephone or radio communi-cation the same result should

follow.

Then there was the common case of communication at a distance to meet which the so-called "postal rule" had devel-oped. Its foundation was in convenience and in those cases it seemed logical to say that the place, as well as the time, of acceptance should be where (and when) the acceptance was put into the charge of the post office.

The Court of Appeal ruling in Entores classifying telex with instantaneous communications, which had passed into the textbooks appeared not to have caused either adverse comment or any difficulty to businessmen.

His Lordship would accept it as a general rule, although not necessarily a universal rule. The present case, like Entores, was one of instantaneous communication between principals and in accordance with the general rule meant that any contract was made when and where the accordance was contract was made when and where the acceptance was re-ceived. That was in Vienna not within the jurisdiction. His Lordship agreed with the

LORD BRANDON, also agree-ing, said that while the present case, like Entores, was concerned only with instantaneous com-munication by telex between the principals on either side, there light in other cases be variations on that simple theme. There could be no general rule capable of covering all such variations so that when they occurred the problems posed by them must be resolved by reference to the intention of the

parties, sound business practice, and in some cases a judgment where the risk should lie. Lord Russell and Lord Bridge

Court of Appeal and would dismiss the appeal. Solicitors: Heald & Nickinson; Linklauers & Paines.





Guernsey, and also has a clothing and equipment contract with Ascot and a contract to wear Patrick shoes. "Last year I found that I could support myself fairly well but I think only about the top five women in the world con do that by playing rather than coaching."

Miss Opie's name is Cornish but her father was born in

secluded Moulin Huet Valley, The competitive streak may come from Mrs Opie, who represented the Channel Islands at table tennis in the Cardiff Commonwealth Games.

But it was Miss Opie's father who introduced her to squash, first in a casual way at Elizabeth College (which then had the only court on the island) and next at King's, which opened in 1973 when Miss Opie was 11 years old.

Miss le Moignan's father, a freelance architect, is a competi-tive yachtsman with world championship experience and a former Channel Islands cham-

former Channel Islands cham-pion as a racing cyclist. But it was her mother who first joined King's: "I got hooked on squash," Mrs le Moignan says, "and they got tired of waiting for meals and decided to join."

Sporting, competitive parents

Ayr is the likely target for Little Owl

Head intends running Uncle
Bing just twice before his big
date at Aintree and the first of
those races is now likely to be
the Jock Scott Handicap Steeplechase at Ascot on February 22
when the Lambert and Butler
final will be the main race.
As far as the actual racing was
concerned at Windsor yesterday,
the limelight was shared by Steve
Knight, Richard Linley and Vince
McKevitt.

Whisky Novices Hurdle qualifier
and that is saying something
considering that he is still
addifference between defeat and
difference between defeat and
wictory as McKevitt pounced on
McKevitt had been told by Play
Tha Kozwe's trainer, Peter
Bailey, to bide his time and delay
his challenge as long as possible.

Ar Lingfield today, Glenhawk will be attempting to win his second race there this year when he runs in the Felcourt Handicay eeplechase, but I am inclined to obt whether he will manage to at either Another Duke or

Knight, Richard Linley and Vince McKevitt.
Although he is often just regarded as Andy Turnell's understudy at Ogbourne, Steve Knight is a very accomplished jockey indeed, a point that he made when he won the Copper Horse Handicap Hurdle on Party Miss and the Oakside Novices Randitap Steeplechase on Better Than Ever.
Nampara was the equally-experienced Linley's first ride and first winner since he dislocated a shoulder a fortnight ago. But for sheer style, there was nothing to match McKevitt's handling of Play The Knave in the Haigh The Goldstone Novice's Steeplechase looks a suitable opportunity for Roddy Armycage's eight-year-old. Applaito to win his second steeplechase.

Racing Correspondent Jim Wilson, the rider and jointowner of Little Owl, yesterday scotched remours that all is not well with the horse that he inherited from his sumt and shares with his brother and rode to that famous victory in the Cheltenham Gold Cup, last March. In the circumstances, the 8-1 that the William Hill Organiisation are currently prepared to hy against Little Owl winning the same covered trophy again next month could not be a bad bet. Talking at Windsor, Wilson assured me that Little Owl will be seen in action again next week, either at Ascot on Wednesday or at Newbury or Ayr, three days later. "And the way the wind is blowing at present the probability is that it will be at Ayr" he said After that, the plan is to run Little Owl in the Greenall Whitley Brewery Steeplechase, at Haydock Park on March 6, and it is intended that that race will put otherwise, the main news yesterday concerned two horses whose names are likely to feature on many short lists for the Grand National. I refer to Aldaniti and Uncle Bing. Looking fit and tanned after his recent holiday in the West Indies, Aldaniti's trainer, Josh Gifford, confirmed that last year's Natonal hero is also fit and well, and still on course to have his first race since Aintree in the Whithread Trial Steeplechase at Ascot next Wednesday. Richard Head also envisages running Uncle Bing, another to have conquered Aintree in his time — he won the Topkam Trophy—at Ascot, but not at the next meeting. Having heen off the course with leg trouble for 22 months, Uncle Bing came back "better than expected, like a lion in fact", to quote his trainer, after his race at Cheltenham last Saturday. Ekbaico was virtually tailed off turning into the short straight at Leopardstown and made up an immense amount of ground to reach his final position. But Fisher said yesterday that both himself and his joint owner, Sheik Tawfik Fakhouri, are relucement to disturb the partnership that has been struck up between Ekbalco and Goulding. Eicher want on "We do feel to be proposition and made up an immense amount of ground to the plan is to run months, Uncle Richards and Harth Gould and the Granal Whitish in fact", to quote the plan is to run months, Uncle Richards and the Granal Whitish in fact, the plan is to run months, Uncle Richards and the Granal Whitish in fact, the plan is to run months, Uncle Richards and the Granal Whitish in fact, and the course with leg months, Uncle Richards and the Granal Whitish in fact, and the course with leg months, Uncle Richards and the Granal Whitish in fact, and the course with leg months, Uncle Richards and the course with leg months, Uncle Richards and the Granal Whitish in fact, and the course with leg months, Uncle Richards and the Granal Whitish in fact, and the Gr

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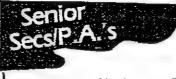
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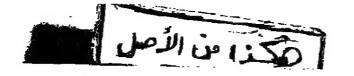
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BBC 7	.,,,
9.05 For Schools, Colleges: Subjects include Living in a Developing Country; It's Your Choice; Out of the Past; Science Workshop; Scene; Mathana-Box; Search and On the Rocks; 12.20 Interval. 12.30 News After Moon: with Richard Whitmore and Moira Stuart; 12.57 Financial report, and news: 1.00 Pebble Mitt at One; includes Tony Bilbow's regular item on the world of show business; 1.45 King Rollo; for the younger viewer; 1.50 Stop — Go; 2.00 You and Me: 2.15 For Schools, Colleges: Music Time (Happy Families) and Television Club (My Way); 3.00 Closedown; 3.15 Hotiday: Flotitia cruising round the Florida Keys; and from the Wye Valley to Cheltenham (r); 3.55 Play School (see BBC 2, 11.00am).	
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4.25 Jackanory. Tony Aitken reads part four of Michael Denton's The Eggbox

4.40 Huckleberry Finn and his Friends: Episode 5 of the Mark Twain story. The three chums have witnessed a murder and the wrong

5.40 News: with Richard Baker; 6.00 South East at Six. And, at 6.25, Nationwide.

which works without mains or batteries; and the continuing search for a vaccine in the battle against hepatitis. Also, good news for

7.00 Tomorrow's World: A portable hair curier

8.05 Wildfife on One: Encounter Underground. Film of the Buildog Ant of Australia, which leads a very complicated the.

8.30 Goodbye Mr Kent: Hannah Gordon takes a

9.00 News with John Simpson. And weather

9,25 Shoestring: Another drama in this series about a crime reporter for a West Country

10.20 Question Time: Tonight's edition comes from Glasgow. The Hillhead by-election is

Penhaligon, the Liberal MP

radio station. Trevor Eve stars. A local farmer is suspected of murdering his wife

who is missing. And Shoestring himself is attacked while jogging (r).

expected to take place there some time next month, so this is going to be heavily political show Robin Day's team tonight consists of Malcolm Rifikind, Under

is the Russian Igor Brobin, but it is not

thought he will be competing tonight. A report too, on the Ladies competition. Debbie Cottrill is after a medal.

11.50 News headlines. And weather torecast.

lodger (Richard Briers) in this new comedy series. He gives her nothing but trouble.

AND DOOR

4.20 Secret Squirrel: cartoon.

Brontosaurus.

man is arrested.

5.10 Blue Peter,

pony lovers

5.05 John Craven's Newsround.

7.25 Top of the Pops: with John Peel.

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BBC 2 11.00 Play School: Wilma Horsbrugh's story The Bold Bad Bus. The presenters are Sarah Long and Don Spencer; 11.25 Closedown; 12.00 Open University: The First Years of Life (the World at One); 12.25 Health Choices: (See Saw); 12.50 Governing Schools (the Interview). Open University Programmes end at 1,15 pm; At 3.55: Muggeridge: Ancient and Modern: Part 4 of this largely autobiographical series about the journalist and sage. Today: from 1945 to 1956. It covers Mr Muggeridge a work on Punch, Panorama and as a

4.50 They're Playing My Tune: Why Sweet Caroline, sung by Neil Diamond, means so much to Rosalind Davison (r).

4.55 World Ski-ing Championships (replaces the scheduled World

Land Speed record film).

5.40 Ali Creatures Great and Small: The vet's best-laid schemes go

Ennal's Point: Welsh lifeboat

history of a 1929-built semi-detached house in Ealing, west

about past and Present Japan

Arthur Marshell, Sue Cook and Peter Davison compete against

Frank Muir, Joanna Lumley and

Formby Story (see Choice). Rhythm on Two: The Band of Her Majorty's Coldstream

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serial. Penultimate episode. The search for a suspected IRA terrorist, 7.20 News.

7.25 History on Your Doorstep: Fred Housego traces the

London, it has royal

7.50 The Shogun inheritance: Part one of this repealed series

8.30 Russell Harty: with the famous medium Doris Stokes.

9.00 Call My Bluft: Panel game based on word definitions.

9.30 Forty Minutes: The George

10.45 Newsnight. Bulletins, comment

11.30 The Old Grey Whistle Test: With Soft Cell and Edgar Winter, Ends at 12.15am.

wrong (r).

ITV/LONDON 9.30 For Schools: The subjects include Physics in Action; My World; Seeing and Doing; Geography Today; Biology A-level; Basic Matths; Over to You; and Middle English; 12.00 Little Blue: The Christmas Play; 12.10 Get up and Gol with Beryl Reid; 12.30 The Sullivans; 1,00 News 1.20 Thames Area News 1.30 Take the High Road. Soutish extra posicil. More about that unfoliance. Scottish estate serial. More about that wedding: 2.00 After Noon Plus. The GP — patient relationship and how to improve it; 2.45 Love Among the Artists: The GBS book, adapted as a serial. Final episode (r); 3.45 How's Your Father? Comedy, with Harry Worth as a bumbling widower

4.15 Dangermouse: cartoon serial, Episode four. 4.20 Little House on the Prairie: A shock for the people of Walnut Grove. 5.15 Emmerdate Farm: More about Jackie Merrick and his shocking discovery about 5.45 News from ITN 6.00 Thames Area News,

6.30 Themes Sport. Reports on the London sports scene from Derek Thompson, Allan Taylor and Simon Reed, Includes an interview with Yorkshire Cricket Club manager Ray Illingworth; plus Ladies Downhill ski-ing championships. 7.00 Does the Team Think? The comedy show

to be the fearth future? The comboy sho in which future men and women answer future questions. With Beryl Reid, Jimmy Edwards, Frankle Howerd and William Rushton. The MC is Tim Brooks-Taylor. 7.30 Film: The Medusa Touch (1978) Science-fiction thriller with Richard Burton as man with the mental power to cause deaths and

catastrophe on a vast scale. Co-starring Lino Ventura; Lee Remick, Harry Andrews Marie-Christine Barrault and Gordon Jackson. Directed by Jack Gold. 9.00 Film: The Medusa Touch (continued). 9.30 TV Eye: A profile of Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, He is interviewed by Llew Gardner.

10.00 News from ITNLand Thames area

10.30 Danger-UXB: Orama series about an Army unit who have to dispose of the unexploded bombs the Germans drop on London during World War Two. This is episode four. Brian Ash (Anthony Andrews) and his men act as guinea pigs on the testing of a new device, to combat a lethal new German boobytrapped fuse. It's the invention of a boffin (lain Cutribertson) (r).

11.30 Parents and Teenagers: First in a new adult education series in which improvised drama is woven into interviews with family are called The Wilsons - mother, ather, son and daughter.

12.00 What the Papers Say: with Ann Leelie of the Daily Mail. 12.15 Close: with Quentin Crisp. He talks about.

living with style. .

7.30 City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra.† Concert: Haydn, Strauss. The Hedyn work is the Symphony No 22 and the Strauss work is the obos concerto (soloist Heinz Hol-Radio 4 6.00 Nave Briefing. 6.10 Ferming Today. 6.30 Today. 8.35 Yesterday in Parliament. 9.00 News. 9.05 Checkpoint. 9.30 The Living World. Midwinter in

concarto (soloist Heinz Hoiliger).

3.15 The White Dog of Inchdreweir.
A task by Niget Tranter,
5.35 Concert? Part 2: Lutoslawski,
Seathovian (Symphony No 4).

9.45 Keleidoscope. This edition is
devoted to the Pirales of
Partzance. Includes an interview with the director of the
film, Wilford Leach.

9.59 Weather.

10.00 The World Tonight.

11.00 A Book at Bedtime: "Portrait of
the Artist as a Young Men." by
James Joyce (14).

11.30 Today in Parliament.

12.00 News and Weather.

VP: 6.25 Weather Forecast.

9.05 For Schooks. 10.30 Listen
with Mother, 11.00 For
Schooks, 2.00 For Schooks.

5.50 PM (continued). 11.00
Study on 4: Ensemble (14). Manhattan.

10.00 News,

10.02 Your Move or Mine. The aposizing business of buying and selling houses. With Chris. Sarie and Ton Tictoil.

10.30 Dally Service.

10.45 Merming Story: "Charge of the Old Brigade" by Evelyn Hilary,

11.00 News.

Old Brigade" by Evelyn Hizary,
11.05 File on 4. Tudor Lomas reports from Budapeet on the state of the Hungarian economy.
11.50 Esquire Within,
12.02 You and Yours,
12.27 Never Too Late,† Thore Hird,
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12.55 Weather.
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3.00 Hours. "Ilgurs Eye" by Christine Harrison. With Lucinda Curtis and Jill Lidstone.
4.00 Hotne Base. The people and places that don't always make the national headlines.
4.15 Bookshelf. The presenter is Erank Delaney.
4.46 Story Time: "Martial Rites" by Margaret Forster (9).
5.00 PM. Radio 3 6.55 Weather. 7.06 News. 7.06 Morning Concert, Uccellini, Vivaldi, Coreli, Mozart, re-

Vivaldi, Corelli, Mozart; recards.†
8.00 News.
8.05 Morning Concert (continued).
ireland, Frederick Keel, Vaugham Williams, Bridge; records.
8.00 News.
9.05 This Week's Composers. Albinoni and Marcello; records.†
9.45 Brahms. String Quartet recital,
and Harp Recital: Piarme,
Ravel, Mathias, D. Vaughan
Thomas. Thomas. 11.00 Richard Mapp (a) Piano recital: Bach transcr. Busoni, Grans-5.55' Weather, 6.00' News and Financial Report. 6.30' Any Answers? 6.55 tt's a bergain. dos. 11.40 BBC Northern Symphony Orchestra. Concart: Dvorak, Rachmannov, Janacek.† 7.00 News.
7.05 The Archers.
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7.00 Time for Verse. Simon Brett presents presents a salection of "useful verse".

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BBC TYMPIJ/WALES: 10.10-10.32 am I Yspolion. 12.57-1.00 pm News. 2.15-2.40 I Yspolion. 6.00.6.25 Water Today. 7.00-7.25 Heddiw. 11.50 News headines. SCOTLA-MB: 12.55-1.00 pm Scotlath News. 3.00-3.30 The Aftersoon Show. 3.30-3.55 Closedown. 6.00-6.25 Reporting Scotland. 8.30-9.00 Current Account. 11.50 News headines. NORTHEIN RELA-MD: 11.30-11.55 am For Schools. 12.57-1.00 pm News. 3.53-3.55 News. 6.00-6.25 Scane Around by. 11.50 News headines. ENGLAND: 5.00-6.25 Regional Magazines. 11.55 Close.

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6.35 Crostroads. 7.00-7.20 Entertainers: New Swingle Singers. 10.30 Bizurre. 11.00 Parents and Teansgers: New series. 11.30 Seachd Laithetm. 11.45 Living and Growing for Parents and Teachers. 12.15 am News. 12.20 Closedown.

CENTRAL

As Thames except: 12.30 pm-1.00
Young Doctors, 1.20-1.30 News, 4.20
Sports Billy, 4.45 Jason of Star,
Command, 5.15-5.45 Here's Boomer,
6.00 Crossroade, 6.25 News, 7.00
Emmerdiale Farm, 7.30 England Their
England: Copper's Life, 8.00-9.30
Film: Love Thy Neighbour (Jack
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versions of popular television series.

Version of popular selevision series. 10,30 Venture: Current affairs presented by John Edwards. 11,00 News. 11,00 Film: Desperate Character's (Shirley Mediatric). Residents to New York's East Side lind the rigours of life hard to lake. 12,50 am Glosedown.

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Nielsen.†
4.55 News.
5.00 Manny for Pleasure with Brian Wright.†
7.00 Haydin String Quartet recital.†
7.30 Ezra by Bernard Kops. Starring Ian Holm as Ezra Pound, Barbara Jelford as Dorothy Pound, John Carson as Vivaidi and John Carson as Vivaidi and John Carson as Revite and John Turner as Benito Mussolini.†

Mussolint.†
9.05 Ravel on record.†
9.25 Words. Talk by John Sparrow.
9.30 A Century of Choral Music.
Choral recital. Part 1: Mendetsaohn, Kodaly, Liszt. Given by
the BBC Singers, with Oslan
Ellis (harp) and Christopher
Bowers-Broadbent (organ).†
10.10 Interval reading. su.15 Recital, part 2: Liszt. (the Requiem)
11.00 News.
11.05 Geminiani on record. Cello Sonata in D minor (Op 5, No 2) played by Anthony Pleetin and Richard Webb (cellos) and Christopher Hogwood (harpenchord).†
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Medium frequency/medium wave as viu above except: 6.40-11.00mm Cricket: Sixth Radio 2

5.00 News. 5.03 Ray Moore.† 7.30 Tarry Wogan.† 10.00 Jimmy Young.† 12.03 Gloria Huanitord.† 2.00 Ed Stewart.† 4.00 David Hamilton.† 5.45 News and Sport. 6.00 John Dum.† 8.00 Country Club.† 9.00 Alan Dell.† a.u.u Country Club.† 9.00 Alan Dell.†
10.00 Know Your Place. 10.30 Star
Sound Extra. 11.00 Brian Mathew.†
Irom Midnight. 1.00 Trucker's Hour.†
2.00-5.00 You and the Night and the
Music.†

Radio 1 5.00 As Radio 2. 7.00 Mike Read. 9.00 Simon Bates. 11.30 Dave Lee Travis. 2.00 Paul Burnett. 3.30 Steve Wright. 5.00 Peter Powell. 7.00 The Record Producers. 8.00 David Jensen. 10.00 John Peet.† 12.00 Midnight

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REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

Secretary of State for Scotland; Alex Kitson, the deputy general secretary of the transport workers union; Isobel Lindsey, vice-chairman of the SNP; and David 11,20 The European Ice Figure Skating Championships: From Lyons. We see the Men's Championship. The holder of the title Sue Cook: BBC 2, 9,00

10.10

Guarda

THE GEORGE FORMBY STORY (B8C 2, 9.30), Michael Dean's filr for Forty Minutes, leaves the eulogies to others, and as it is framed by shots of a Formby lovers' convention in Blackpool,

there is no shortage of them. There is, too, a plentiful supply of clips from newsreels and Formby movies which, while they will do little to attract new converts, will harden his fans' conviction that he was Lancashire's greatest gift to the world since tripe and onions.
The sour notes in Mr Dean's athletics coach in the IIIII. Selection of Fire. Then think of his Michael Meade in the current BBC 2 serialization of his Murdoch's The commentary are reserved for Beryl Formby who kept her lingers on

■ EZRA, Bernard Kops's fantasic voyage through the brain of Pound, the captive poet, is being repeated tonight (Radio 3, 7.30). It is total radio — a fact that is all the more astonishing because the piece

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began life as a work for the theatre. A word of advice to you, however, before you settle down beside the radio set for an experience you are not likely easily to forget: swot up on your Pound chronology. Ian Holm plays the poet. Plays? Lives, rather.
And practically tears himself apart in living him. Think of Mr Holm in this 8.30 pm), the new corriedy series role. Then think of his J. M. Barrie in The Lost Boys. Think of his athletics coach in the film.Chariots.

and for those who may never have

succeeded in acquiring it in the first place. It is about bridge-building in the consulting room. Medical students learn what are the best building materials, and how best to use them. Young actors play the patients. What's needed now, of course, is an edition of After Noon Plus which tells patients how to help the GP by being better patients.

8.30 pm), the new comedy series by two Peters, Vincent and Robinson, suffers from one serious disadvantage — a central characte (played by Richard Briera) who, though not a congenital idiot, has acquired all the appurtegances of. daughter (Talla Hayes) who is a tooth-ache of a leenager. So far, the saving grace is Hannah-Gordon's-landlady. Which is ironic because comedy has not been Miss Gordon's CHANNEL

As Thames except: 1.20 pm-1.30 News 3.45-4.15 End of Part One. 5.20-6.45 Crossroads, 6.00 Channel Report, 6.35 What's on Where, 6.40 Take-Tuckerman. 7.00-7.30 Benson, Fireside chat, 10.28 News, 10.34 Better Read. 11.05 Parents and Teanagers. 11.35 Jazz: John Etheridge. 12.05 am Closedown. YORKSHIRE

1.00 News. 1.05 Bristol Lunchtime Concert

As Triames except: 1.20 pm-1.30 News, 3.45-4.15 Struck by Lightning, 4.20 Sport Billy, 4.45-5.45 Little House on the Prainte, 6.00 Calendar, 6.35 Crossroads, 7.00-7.30 Emmerdale Farm, 10.30 Country Calendar: Ducks and gynkhanas, 11.00 Parents and Teenagers; New 11.00 Parents and Teonagers: New series, 11.30 Ladies Man. 12.00 Closedown.

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SCOTTISH As Thames except: 1.20 pm-1.30 News, 1.30-2.00 Bygones, 4.20 Palmerston USA, 5.15 Tiddler's Tales, 5.20-5.45 Crossroads, 6.00 Scotland Today, 6.20 Bodyline, 7.00-7.30 Take the High Road. 10.30 Make Mine Music. 11.00 Perents and Teenagers. 11.30 Seachd Latthean. 11.45 Living and Growing for Perents and .
Teachers. 12.15 am Late Cell. 12.20

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One. 5.15 Gus Honeybun 5.20-5.45* Crossroads. 6.00 Today South West. 6.30 Tele Views. 6.40 Take Tuckerman. 7.00-7.30 Benson. 10.32 News, 10.35 Politics South West: New series with Chris Rogers, 11.05 Parents and Teenagers: New series, 11.35 Jazz: John Ethendge, 12.05am Postscript, 12.11 Closedown.

TYNE TEES As Themes except: Starts 9.20 am Good Word. 9.25-9.30 News. 1.20 pm-1.30 News, Looksround. 4.20 Fangface. 4.50-5.45 Voyage To The Bottom Of The Sea. 6.00 News. 6.02 Crossroads. 6.25 Northern Life. 7.00-7.30 Emmerdala Farm. 10.30 News. 10.32 Job Stot Extra. 10.35 Bizarre. 11.00 Check it Out. 11.30 Medicine Men. 12.00 Thet's The Way To Do It. Men. 12.00 That's The Way To Do It. 12.05 am Closedown.

ANGLIA As Themes except: 1.20 pm-1.30 News. 2.00-2.45 Not For Women Only. 3.45-4.15 Electric Theatre Show: Comic strips. 4.20 Vicky The Viking. 4.45-6.15 Further Adventures of Oliver Twist. 6.00 About Anglia. 6.20 Arena. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00-7.30 Benson. 10.30 Supesquash. 11.00 Parents and Teachers. 11.30 Lou Grant, 12.30 em I Was Reading.

ULSTER As Thames except: 1.20 pm-1.30 Linchinne. 4.20 Adventures of black Beauty. 4.50 Flying Kiwl. 5.15 Radio. 5.30-5.45 Good Evening Ulster. 6.00 Good Evening Ulster. 8.25 Police Siz. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00-7.30 Emmerdale Farm. 10.30 Bizarre.

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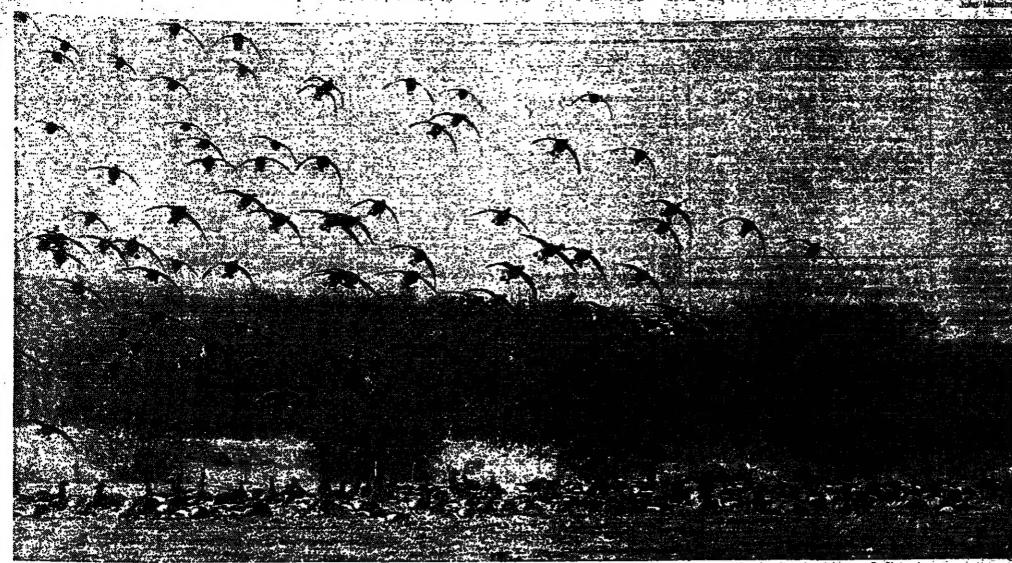
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Grass for the geese, and crops for the farmer

Mr Peter Carr farms 300 acres on the edge of the Blackwater estuary in Essex. On a field half a mile or so from his house are feeding hundreds of Brent geese (above), joined at intervals by more flights wheeling in gracefully over

For some reason the geese have always preferred this particular field (John Young writes). This year for the first time Mr Carr was persuaded not to plant crops but to leave birds are content to leave the surrounding crops undisturbed.

Finding crops undisturbed. Finding an acceptable means of protecting both the thousands of geese that migrate to southern and eastern Eugland each winter, and the crops on which they feed and trample, has been exercising bodies like the Ministry of Agriculture and the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds for some years.

Since the mid-1970s the numbers of geese have risen

sharply. Between 60,000 and 80,000 arrive on the coast each October, as far north as the Humber and as far west as the Exe in Devon, But about half choose the estuaries of East Anglia and Essex such as the Orwell, the Stour, the Black-water, the Coine and the

ministry biologist, is encourag-ing more farmers to follow Mr Carr's example and leave certain fields as "refuge" grassiand, treated where necessary with fertilizer to encourage a lush growth. He reports "marvellous cooperation" from farmers encouragement from National Farmers U has agreed to finance part of the survey.

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Mr Carr seems beppy about the scheme, provided enough of his colleagues agree to participate. "I don't mind feeding the geese for a time", he says, "but I don't want to be the only farmer in Essex doing it."

Buckton says publicity stunt backfired

Quite how British Rail intended to run trains without telling prospective passengers about them until the last minute was never adequately explained. Mr Raymond Buck was in no donot apout the nature of the exercise. "This is another example of British Rail's inept publicity stunts backfiring on them", he said

last night. In fact, British Rail was dis-NUR drivers based here were anxious to take out trains and that they would not have gone ahead with their intention to run trains on this busy commuter line unless they had grounds for believing that the men would stick to their word. There was no risk of them being disciplined for not crossing the picket line, however. ing the picket line, however. British Rail management did

Conan Doyle's modern cast of mind proved

not the bacillus itself. Once again, Conen Doyle was proved

Tubes Dorsalis, a degenerative

letter he forecast that his children's children's would see a time when the bacterio logical causes of disease would

as a GP. Perhaps somewher Sherlock's creator had hit

Frank Johnson in the Commons

How the 3.15 Huckfield was derailed at Wigan

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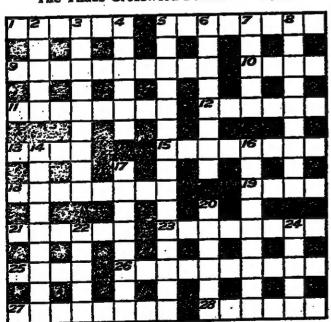
THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

Today's events

Exhibitions

Carlisle Museum and Art Gallery, Carlisle, 9 to 5.
Frills and Furbelows, costume trimmings and decorations, 1750-1940; and Play it Again and Again, Sam, exhibition of musical boxes (demonstrations each after-

The Times Crossword Puzzle No 15,747



- 1 Writing about an epitaph, in a
- 5 eg the split decision in the "Whose Baby?" case (6,2,7). 9 By a drug he is so divinely 6 Description of balance is in lassic-lover's return (8). 10 Say, let's make capital here
- 11 Coal fires I missed somehow out of doors (8).

 12 How to get rid of hindrance in a river (6).

 13 Bargain for instance in a no gallery without one (9).

 14 Put together by late conjurer nechans (9).
- a river (6).

 13 The fame of Lycidas (4).

 15 Telling about the future, or about the Headless Vampire (8).

 16 Family motto here "Ready to do battle" (5,4).

 17 David, as a fortune-teller, comes about second (8).
- 18 If all but the last two lines, this, grammatically (8). 19 "Your worm is your only needs some neck (5).

 24 Rent a quaint cave for a poet
- 21 Code number for a bit to eat (6). 23 W African's nil return about Soviet police chief (8).
- 25 Persian tent-maker began
- with a rousing summons (4). 26 Angry about many a style that is excessive (10).
- Fashionable seaside doctor (8).
 28 Belloc's moon, Swinburne's swallow, relatively speaking (6).

DOWN

2 Catch a student making resin for varnish (5).

noon from 3.00 to 3.30); both at Talks, lectures Strangers' Hall Maseum, North Iron and Stewich, Norfolk, 10 to 5. eum of Tiles, by Terry Lockett, Christies, Cathays 63b Old Brompton Road, SW7, 7. Horned Ammals, Natural adder, National Muse Wales, Main Building, Park, Cardiff, 10 to 5. shire, Banbury Museum, fair, Banbury, 10 to 4.

The Camera's Eye, photographs from the South east, art gallery, Civic Centre, Tunbridge Wells, 19 to 5.30.

4 Fly south-east after trial run-up (6).

Sounds spoken received by

boy (6).
22 Beginning to scale steep rock

Solution of Puzzle No 15.746

Tate Gallery, 1.

Late Roman and Byzantine ivory carving, by Geoffrey House, 11.30; and Introducing Prehistoric Britain—the palaeolithic and mesolithic periods, by David Williams; 1.15; both at British Masanum. Williams; 1.15; both at British Museum.

The Storehouse of Memories, by Rev Dr Brian Johanson, City Temple, 1.15.

Degas, by Colin Wiggins, National Gallery, I.

The Work of a Paper Conservator by John Bayne, Museum of London, London Wall, 1.10.

The Outbreak of the English Civil War, by Anthony Fletcher, Gustave Tuck Theatre, University College, 5.

Music

Concert: Allegri Quarter,

Tato Gallery, 1. Late Roman

Music
Concert: Allegel Quarter,
Turser Sims Concert Ball,
Southampton University, 8.
Concert: Orchestra of the City
of Oxford, Oxford Town Hall, 8.
Concert: British Rulways
Lincoln Male Voice Choir, St
Andrew's Church Hall, Lincoln,
7.30.

Anniversary today William Harrison Ainsworth

Bond winners

The winning number in the Premium Bonds monthly draw for £250,000 was: 14KP 102872, The winner comes from Surrey.

Parliament today Commons (2.30): Debate on Opposition motion on need to improve the lot of the elderly. Lords (3): Debate on Scarman report on Brixton disturbances.

The Pound

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Wales and West: A483: Major improvements at Lianisster, Powys, A46: Road realignment at Whitemill, Dafed, A36: Delays at Horton, Somerset, A36: Partially closed west of Taunton, Somerset.

North: A181: Temporary signals on Wellfield bypass, Co Durham, A1/A516: Several lane closures on Catterick bypass, Co Durham, A1/A516: Several lane closures on Catterick bypass, (North Yorkshire).

Scotland: A80: Westbound carriageway closed from Muirhead and Stepps (Lamarkshire). Cantion, A52: Major roadworks, two miles south of Originarich, Perthshire, Delays, A9: Congestion south of Ancherarder (Perthshire).

Information supplied by the Anto-making Association.

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Emergency car parking Emergency car parking the relatives (open all week during rail disruption) include: Serpentine Road, Rotten Road, North Carriage Drive, West Carriage Drive and South Carriage Drive, Hyde Park; Inner and Outer Circle and Chester Road, Regent's Park; Albert Memorial Road, Kensingson Gardens; Birdcage Walk, St James's Park; Bauersea Park; Victoria Park; Bauersea Park; Park; Bauersea Park; Bauersea Fark; Bauersea Fark; Bauersea Fark; Bauersea Park; Bauersea Fark; Bauersea Park; Bauersea Park

Accommodation Accommodation
The London Tourist Board has
made special arrangements to
help workers to book hotels in
the city; call 01-730 3450 before
5.30; or bookings can be made
in person at National Tourist
Information Centre, Victoria
Station, from 2 am to 8.30 pm.

Because of Scalink dispute, no Newharen/Dieppe ferries operat-ing. For special coaches to ports during rail disruptions, call 01-828 4142 or 01-834 2345, or Sealink

The papers

Possible delaws to passengers at Octy and Charles de Ganilemisports in Paris because of costodus workers' work-to-role.

Getting to Airports
National Express Air-Coaches run regular services to Heathrow and Gatwick from many provincial centres; also to some regional airports. Details from accredited travel agents, National Bus Company offices, or call Di-730 0202. Auctions today

The Daily blirror says members of Asici will be among the victims of the rail dispute because jobs will disappear to pay for the losses. "If Asiat goes on the way it is doing, it suon wou't have a friend left. Nor will it deserve one "the paper says, criticizing the union for being incremisers.

Sloppy management at the White: House is blamed by the White: House is blamed by the American administration's decision to pay Poland's debts to Western banks. Congress is urged to write a law "prohibiting the use of tax funds to ball out Polish decreases". Bonhams, Montpeller, Street ;
European of paintings, 11;
English and Continental furniture,
2.30. Christle's King Street; Fine
Eastern textiles, rugs and carpets,
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European ceramics, 2; mechanical massic, 2. Phillips, Blenheim,
Street; Postage stamps—specialised Gount Eritain, 11. Souheby's
Bond Street; Old matter prints,
11 and 2.39. Viewing
Benkams, Montpeller Street:
English and Continental furniture, 9 to 2.30. Christie's King
Street: Pine Continental glass;
fine Continental pictures of the
19th and 20th centuries, 9 to 4;
English drawings and watercolours, 9 to 4.45; fine English
and Continental glass, 9 to 4.
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Sporting fixtures Racing: Meetings at Lingfield Park (2:45) and Towcester (1:30). Rugby League: First division, Eraciord Nurthern v Leigh (7:30). Christle's South Kenshitton:
Printed books, atlases and maps,
9.15 to 4.30; affiver, 9.15 to 4.30.
Phillips Elenheim Street: Postage
stamps, 9 to 10.30; affiver and
gold bottes: 9.30 4.30. Sothichy's
Bond Street: Modern prints, carpets, 9.30 to 4.30. Sothichy's Regravia: Toys and doils; Oriental
works of art, both 9.30 to 4.30.

BBC 1: 11.20 European Toe Floure Skating Championships. ITV: 6.30. Thames Sport.

The Times list of best-selling books

Weather

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6 am to midnight

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